WHO IS ALICE®?

A SSET L IMITED
ALICE has no safety net in times of crisis

INCOME C ONSTRAINED
ALICE’s income falls short of essentials

E MPLOYED
ALICE is working, yet not earning enough

ALICE can be an office worker, a personal care aide or nursing assistant, a child care worker or an elementary school teacher, a retail associate or a custodian. It is our friends, family and neighbors who work for a living but struggle to afford the basics: Housing, transportation, healthcare and child care.

1.2 MILLION
Pennsylvanians have incomes that exceed the Federal Poverty Level, but cannot pay for basic needs

When you add in households that live below the Federal Poverty Level, that’s 2 MILLION people in Pennsylvania, or 37% of Pennsylvania households.

IN YORK COUNTY, 32%
of households fall below the ALICE threshold: Rural, urban and suburban, in every municipality

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WHO SERVES ALICE® IN YORK?

The Salvation Army: Assists families (especially seniors) with one-time assistance for utilities and fuel assistance if their income falls over federal poverty guidelines, sometimes just by $50 or $100.

Bell Socialization Services: Provides case management and rental assistance but is challenged by limited funding and lack of affordable housing. In three months, turned away 130 people seeking help because of lack of resources.

Children’s Aid Society - The Lehman Center: Due in part to United Way and County of York funding, subsidizes its Crisis Nursery, Parent Support Groups and related services for families on a sliding scale.

CONTACT Helpline / PA 211: Connects York residents to food, clothing, counseling and employment resources 24/7 via the PA 211 health and human services information and referral hotline.

Child Care Consultants: Offers assistance to low-income working families to help pay for early childhood education. With limited funding and strict federal poverty guidelines, approximately 100 people apply each year and are not eligible.

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New Hope Ministries: Supports urgent needs of food, housing and utilities, while also investing in self-sufficiency training to encourage saving for retirement, access to adequate healthcare, and increase financial literacy.

Community Progress Council: Comprehensive, integrated services offer support to create a bridge from crisis to self-sufficiency, identify long-term goals, and move people toward independence from external assistance.

YWCA York: High-quality early learning, and before- and after-school programs include family education to help end the cycles of poverty. Bridge Housing serves domestic violence victims through case management services, life skills advocacy, and financial literacy.

ALICE & COVID-19

The rapid spread of COVID-19 shows critical areas of need for our economy, health care system, and education capacity during a national crisis. ALICE stands to lose the ability to maintain their already resource-thin households, and the ability to support a healthy, safe environment for themselves and their families. Some ALICE work in occupations that require them to continue working during the pandemic, which exposes them to many risks and leaves ALICE the choice of maintaining their health or losing income.

United Way of York County is committed to lifting up ALICE and providing as much support to our communities as possible. In March, United Way of York County and York County Community Foundation established the York County COVID-19 Response Fund to meet the immediate and increased needs of our neighbors who are especially vulnerable in times of uncertainty. Learn more at www.unitedway-york.org/covid-19.