1 IN 5 U.S. CHILDREN IS POOR

In 2015, 19.7 percent (14.5 million) of U.S. children were living in poverty.

Racial and ethnic minority children are disproportionately poor

One-third of Black children and 28.9 percent of Hispanic children lived in poverty, compared to 12.1 percent of non-Hispanic White children.

1 IN 4 U.S. YOUNG PARENTS (UNDER 30) IS POOR

In 2015, 24.6 percent (2.3 million) of U.S. young parents ages 18-29 were living in poverty.

SAFETY NET PROGRAMS REDUCE POVERTY

The Child Tax Credit & Earned Income Tax Credit reduced overall poverty by 2.9 percentage points.

SNAP food assistance reduced overall poverty by 1.4 percentage points.

1 in 4 variable-hour workers is low income

Workers with unpredictable job schedules struggle to plan financially and maintain work/life balance.

Nearly half of all involuntary part-time workers are low income.

4 IN 5 U.S. LOW-INCOME CHILDREN LIVE WITH SOMEONE WHO IS WORKING

In 2015, 84 percent (25.2 million) of U.S. low-income children lived in households where one or more people were employed.

The official measure defines poverty as $20,090 for a single-parent family of three. The supplemental poverty measure (SPM) shows the effects of non-cash transfers and taxes as well as out-of-pocket medical costs.