

## FOODSHARE OVERVIEW

Milwaukee County

Milwaukee County SNAPshot





**FoodShare Recipients** 

221,258

People (November 2019) 23.2%

of the county population

Average Monthly Benefit Amount per Person: 2018

\$114.12

\$107.03 in Wisconsin \$125.25 for U.S. SNAP\*\*

Average Monthly Benefits Distributed throughout Milwaukee County, 2018

\$26,449,046

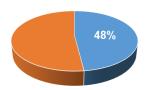
### What is FoodShare?

- ► FoodShare is the name of the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) in Wisconsin.
- This federally funded program enables hundreds of thousands of low-income adults, children, and seniors throughout the state with funds to purchase groceries.
- ► FoodShare is the state's leading anti-hunger program.

### Who Uses FoodShare in Wisconsin?\*



**42%** of recipients are children.

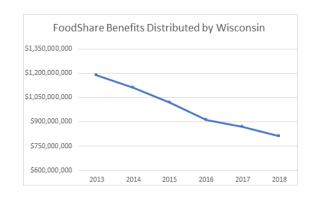


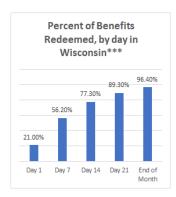
**48%** of families have at least one member who is elderly, blind or has disabilities.



**40%** of adult recipients are employed.

### FoodShare Benefits Distributed and Redeemed in Wisconsin





- \* From Wisconsin Department of Health Services. November 2019. FoodShare Program at a Glance.
- \*\* Based on the average benefit amount per person in Fiscal Year 2018.
- \*\*\* Cumulative percentages reported. Source: Department of Agriculture report, "Benefit Redemption Patterns in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program". April 2011.



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Median Individual Earnings

\$31,781

35th out of 72 counties



Unemployment

3.7%

12.1% above

the U.S. rate of 3.3 %

Latest data available from November 2019.

### **Economic Impact**



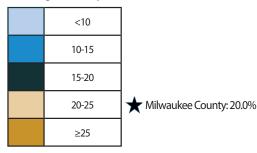


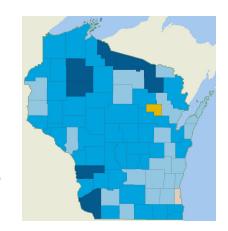
**Economic Growth** 

For every **\$1** in FoodShare benefits, an additional **\$1.70** is used in the **local** economy.

### Wisconsin Poverty by County

Percentage of Poverty

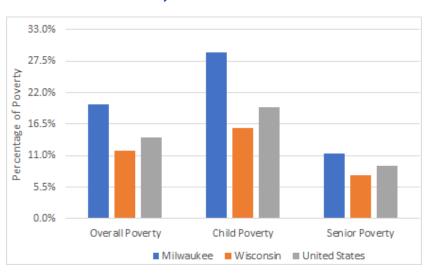




### Milwaukee County Poverty

- Milwaukee has a high level of poverty (20.0%), ranking it 71st out of 72 counties.
- Milwaukee has a high level of child poverty (29.0%), ranking it 70th out of 72 counties.
- Milwaukee has a high level of senior poverty (11.4%), ranking it 69th out of 72 counties.

### **Child and Senior Poverty**



#### Sources:

United States Census, 2013-2018 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates United States Department of Agriculture: Food and Nutrition Service United States Department of Labor: Employment & Training Institution

Wisconsin Department of Administration Wisconsin Department of Health Services Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development