FROM HARDSHIP TO STABILITY

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS
FOR ALICE IN THE TRI-COUNTY
REGION

The **Economic Viability Dashboard** reveals whether the conditions in three key areas — work, housing, and community supports — strengthen or weaken opportunities for households below the ALICE Threshold to reach stability. These families are either in poverty or are **ALICE** (**A**sset **L**imited, **I**ncome **C**onstrained, **E**mployed) — earning above the poverty level but less than the cost of basics.

With more than 30 new ALICE variables, this Dashboard spotlights needs and pairs them with promising practices — paving the way for targeted solutions for these households.



Wages for common jobs often don't cover the basics.

61%

Full-time workers, below ALICE threshold

\$12.21/hr.

Average wage for retail workers below ALICE threshold



High rents and barriers to homeownership can undermine stability.

53%

Owner households below ALICE threshold, spending 30% or more on mortgage **72**%

Renter households below ALICE threshold, spending 30% or more on rent 44%

Renter households below ALICE threshold, spending more than the median mortgage costs on rent



Community resources can support overall well-being and ability to work.

80%

Working-age people below ALICE Threshold with health insurance 68%

Households below ALICE Threshold with high speed internet at home 37%

Preschool enrollment, 3-4 year-olds below ALICE Threshold





