

POVERTY SCORECARD 2013  
RATING MEMBERS OF CONGRESS



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## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Fifty years ago, our nation's leaders launched a national collective effort to end poverty in America. Although great gains have been made since the War on Poverty began, much remains to be done. But does America have the guts to take on poverty nowadays? Does it have the leaders to describe the task and give it importance, the public will to engage in a collective effort to secure justice and opportunity for all?

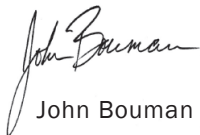
The Shriver Center's 2013 Poverty Scorecard is a comprehensive analysis of the 2013 voting record of every U.S. Senator and Representative on poverty issues. By examining poverty-related votes across a wide range of subject areas, the Poverty Scorecard demonstrates why each of these areas should be understood as important to the fight against poverty. The Poverty Scorecard thus provides a measure of our elected representatives' commitment to achieving justice and opportunity for people living in poverty. It is designed to serve as a tool to hold our elected officials accountable for ensuring that all Americans have access to justice and opportunity.

History teaches us that if political leaders make the commitment to take on poverty as a collective challenge, the public will respond. Since the recession, people who had gotten used to thinking that poverty was someone else's problem have seen it lurking at their own door. There is also growing concern about the eye-popping and growing income inequality in the country, and people are attentive to the stubborn persistence of the poverty rate, especially among children, and the anomaly of it in a prosperous country.

And there is evidence of some positive movement. In 2013, both the Violence Against Women Act and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program were reauthorized. And implementation of the Affordable Care Act, the biggest anti-poverty measure enacted in the past fifty years, continues and is already helping millions of Americans access health care.

If America's leaders take on poverty by name, the country itself may be ready to take large-scale action against poverty. There are plenty of good ideas that need public will and investment and a spirit of bold endeavor. We hope that you will spend some time reviewing our 2013 Poverty Scorecard to see how your elected representatives voted and that you will join the Shriver Center in letting them know that you want them to do more to advance laws and policies that secure justice and opportunity for all, especially for those most in need.

Sincerely,



John Bouman  
President

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- Fifty years after the launch of the War on Poverty, the promise of ending poverty in America remains unrealized. In 2013, 46.5 million Americans lived in poverty.
- In 2013, Congress was deeply divided, especially on policies that would help people living in poverty.
- Congress made some progress on poverty-related matters in 2013. In particular, the Violence Against Women Act and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly Food Stamps) were reauthorized.
- Many bills and amendments introduced in 2013 that would have had a negative effect on people living in poverty were ultimately defeated.
- Nevertheless, on the whole, Congress failed to provide meaningful help to the 46.5 million people living in poverty, including the new poor still trying to recover from the recession.
- States with a high poverty rate were more likely to have a Congressional delegation with a poor score on poverty-related legislation, while states with a low poverty rate were more likely to have a delegation with a high score.

## CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ON POVERTY IN 2013

Every American should be able to live in dignity and provide for his or her family. During the recent recession, many Americans who lived without worry about keeping a roof over their heads and food on the table have suddenly faced the same challenges as Americans with low incomes.

So what did Congress do or fail to do in 2013 to reduce poverty? The Shriver Center's annual Poverty Scorecard measures Congressional action on legislation important to people living in poverty. By providing a comprehensive analysis of each Senator's and Representative's votes on poverty-related measures, the Poverty Scorecard informs constituents on their representatives' commitment to justice and opportunity for people living in poverty.

By any measure, we have a national crisis. In 2013, 46.5 million, or 15%, of Americans lived in poverty. Poverty is a multidimensional problem, affecting low-income people's access to housing, food, health care, and other basic needs. And it is compounded by the legacy of race discrimination that has led to significant racial disparities in poverty rates, with blacks and Latinos 2.5 times more likely to live in poverty than whites. Solutions to poverty involve policy decisions on many fronts.

We know from experience that public investment in anti-poverty programs works. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the War on Poverty, an unprecedented national effort to advance opportunity and end deprivation that was launched by President Lyndon Johnson and led by our founder, R. Sargent Shriver. Landmark anti-poverty programs, including Medicare, Medicaid, Head Start, Job Corps, VISTA, Community Action Programs, and Legal Services for the Poor were created as part of the War on Poverty, and within a decade the country's poverty rate fell by 35 percent.

In the decades since, however, public support for many of these programs has waned, and the initial progress made in the fight against poverty has stalled. Today, when we examine how Congress is addressing the poverty crisis, we too often find partisan gridlock and stubborn inaction. Congress has a responsibility to engage in meaningful dialogue rather than a rhetoric-filled fight. It may be hard to remember but in the not too-distant Congressional past, despite strong debate about anti-poverty programs, at the end of the day reasonable compromises were reached and progress was made.

In 2013, Congress was deeply divided, especially on policies that would help people living in poverty. The overwhelming majority

### **Why Affordable Health Care Matters**

Over 47 million Americans—nearly 18%—had no health insurance in 2013, and almost half of those had been uninsured for five years or more.

The Affordable Care Act is the most significant anti-poverty initiative launched in the past 50 years, and the Shriver Center is working to ensure its effective implementation. Our advocates led the charge for legislation that extended Medicaid eligibility to nearly all low-income Illinois residents effective January 2, 2014. Illinois is one of 27 states that chose to expand its Medicaid program under the ACA; with this expansion, an estimated 342,000 people are newly eligible for health coverage.

Since the ACA's passage, Shriver Center advocates have trained hundreds of health "navigators," who help consumers enroll in newly available coverage. The Shriver Center is also a key partner in Illinois Health Matters and Health Hub, two websites where consumers, businesses, and advocates come to learn about health reform; these sites have established a feedback loop between advocates and others that informs the Shriver Center's efforts to shape health policy.

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of Senators (97%) and Representatives (95%) were graded in the Poverty Scorecard at one extreme or another (A+, A, D, F, or F-). Consequently, there was little compromise on legislative initiatives affecting the poor in 2013.

Nevertheless, Congress reauthorized two important anti-poverty programs—the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly Food Stamps). In addition, agreement was reached on a two-year budget, forestalling automatic budget cuts and ensuring funding for vital human services programs.

Many bills and amendments introduced in

2013 that would have had a negative effect on people living in poverty were ultimately defeated. These include bills that would have denied SNAP benefits to persons not working at least 20 hours per week, made it more difficult for workers to obtain overtime pay, and infringed on voting rights. Other bills would have cut funding to an array of programs that serve low-income people. Most significantly, several assaults on the Affordable Care Act, the most significant anti-poverty legislation to have passed since the War on Poverty, were turned back.

As in past years, states with a high poverty rate were more likely to have a Congressional

### Why VAWA Matters

Nearly one in five women have been raped in their lifetime, and one in four women have experienced severe physical violence by an intimate partner. And domestic and sexual violence are serious barriers for survivors and their families to overcome in order to achieve and maintain economic security.

The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), first enacted in 1994, provides indispensable aid to survivors of sexual and domestic violence. VAWA programs support local domestic violence programs that offer emergency shelter, transitional housing, supportive counseling, advocacy, and other services to more than 67,000 victims every day.

The Shriver Center advocated for the reauthorization of VAWA in 2013. As reauthorized, VAWA will build upon its successes and continue progress toward breaking the culture of violence.

### Why SNAP Matters

Nationwide, nearly 49 million Americans are food insecure, meaning that they sometimes cannot afford a nutritionally adequate diet. The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly Food Stamps), is the nation's most important anti-hunger program and one of the most successful social welfare programs in American history.

Because eligibility is not restricted to a particular category of individuals, SNAP serves a wide range of low-income households, including families with adults who work in low-wage jobs, unemployed workers, and people with fixed incomes. SNAP is targeted at the most vulnerable; 76% of SNAP households include a child, an elderly person, or a person with disabilities. And SNAP is responsive to fluctuating needs. During the recent recession, SNAP has been a vital aid to families facing unemployment and wage stagnation. As unemployment grew 93% from 2007 to 2011, SNAP participation grew by 70% to meet increased need.

The Shriver Center works to ensure that SNAP benefits are available to meet the needs of low-income people who would go hungry but for this important support.

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delegation with a poor score on poverty-related legislation, while states with a low poverty rate were more likely to have a delegation with a high score. Fifteen of the 20 state delegations with grades of D, F, or F- had poverty rates above the national average of 15%. Conversely, 8 of the 11 delegations with grades of A+ or A had poverty rates below the national average.

The charts on the right illustrate the relationship between a state's poverty rate and its Congressional delegation's voting record.

There is also a close correlation between a Congressional delegation's grade and whether or not the state's elected officials have exercised the option to expand the state's Medicaid program to cover adults who are not elderly, disabled, or parents, as permitted under the Affordable Care Act and fully paid for by the federal government. Of the 19 state delegations that received grades of A+, A, or B, 16 opted to expand Medicaid (84%). Of the 20 states delegations that received grades of D, F, or F-, 17 did not expand Medicaid (85%).

While the initial promise of the War on Poverty remains to be realized, we know that providing assistance to meet people's basic needs *works*. Investing in affordable housing, improving access to health care, providing a safety net for those unable to work, and ensuring access to justice all help to reduce poverty and give people a chance to succeed. The Poverty Scorecard offers a measure of Congressional action on legislative efforts to move America toward the promise of the War on Poverty.

### CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATIONS WITH HIGH POVERTY RATES AND POOR VOTING RECORDS

STATE	POVERTY RATE	POVERTY RATE STATE RANK	STATE DELEGATION'S VOTING RECORD RANK
Mississippi	24%	1ST	39ST
Louisiana	20%	3RD	38TH
Arkansas	20%	4TH	45RD
Kentucky	19%	5TH	41TH
Alabama	19%	7TH	43ND
South Carolina	18%	9TH	44TH

### CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATIONS WITH HIGH POVERTY RATES AND GOOD VOTING RECORDS

STATE	POVERTY RATE	POVERTY RATE STATE RANK	STATE DELEGATION'S VOTING RECORD RANK
New Mexico	21%	2ND	11TH
West Virginia	18%	13TH	21TH
Oregon	17%	15TH	9TH
California	17%	18TH	13TH

### CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATIONS WITH LOW POVERTY RATES AND GOOD VOTING RECORDS

STATE	POVERTY RATE	POVERTY RATE STATE RANK	STATE DELEGATION'S VOTING RECORD RANK
Maryland	10%	48TH	7TH
Connecticut	11%	47TH	3RD
Vermont	12%	41ST	5TH
Hawaii	12%	43RD	1ST
Massachusetts	12%	40TH	4TH
Delaware	12%	39TH	6TH

# METHODOLOGY

In consultation with national anti-poverty experts in 20 different fields, we selected the most significant votes on poverty issues in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives in calendar year 2013. The votes we selected cover a wide range of subject areas, including budget and tax, food and nutrition, health care, immigrants, cash assistance, domestic violence, legal services, workforce, education, voting rights and employment rights.

Each member of the House and Senate is scored based on 18 selected votes. If a member did not cast a “yes” or “no” vote on a particular measure (for example, if the member was absent), that vote was not considered in determining the member’s score. Each vote is given equal weight. We did not score members who did not vote enough times for the score to be a fair assessment of their performance or who were not in office at the end of the calendar year.

We ranked 427 of 435 members of the House of Representatives, each of whom voted on at least 12 of the 18 votes we selected. We ranked 98 of 100 senators, each of whom voted on at least 15 of the 18 votes we selected.

Where multiple votes were taken on the same legislation, we used the vote that was the most significant in the disposition of the legislation, e.g., final passage, adoption of an amendment, a motion to invoke cloture, another procedural motion, etc.

**Our grading scale is:**

<b>100</b>	<b>A+</b>
<b>81-99</b>	<b>A</b>
<b>61-80</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>41-60</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>21-40</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>11-20</b>	<b>F</b>
<b>0-10</b>	<b>F-</b>

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## DISTRIBUTION OF GRADES FOR STATE DELEGATIONS, SENATORS, AND REPRESENTATIVES

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	<b>A+</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F-</b>
<b>State Delegations</b>	1	10	8	11	14	5	1
<b>Senators</b>	23	29	2	1	10	15	18
<b>Representatives</b>	75	110	13	8	46	127	48



## SENATE VOTE SUMMARIES

**Budget and Tax: S. 3.** S. Amdt. 4 to H.R. 152 required the entire \$17 billion cost of providing disaster relief to the victims and communities affected by Hurricane Sandy to be fully offset with across the board cuts in other federally-funded programs. The amendment was rejected by a vote of 35-62.

**Budget and Tax: S. 6.** S. Amdt. 6 to H.R. 325 required any national debt limit increase to be balanced by equal spending cuts. This motion to table was agreed to by a vote of 54-44.

**Domestic Violence: S. 13.** S. Amdt. 14 to S. 47, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act, eliminated all protections for Native Americans, LGBT persons, and undocumented immigrants. The amendment was rejected by a vote of 34-65.

**Domestic Violence: S. 19.** S. 47, reauthorizing the Violence Against Women Act, passed the Senate by a vote of 78-22, passed the House by a vote of 286-138 (H. 55), and was signed into law by President Obama.

**Budget and Tax: S. 27.** S. 388, the American Family Economic Protection Act, limited sequestration, removed automatic spending reductions, eliminated direct payments to certain agricultural producers, closed tax loopholes, and imposed a 30 percent tax rate on anyone earning more than \$1 million annually. This motion to invoke cloture

was rejected by a vote of 51-49 (3/5 majority required).

**Budget and Tax: S. 36.** S. Amdt. 53 to H.R. 933 reallocated funding to high priority areas including special education, medical research, and youth suicide prevention. The amendment was rejected by a vote of 54-45 (3/5 majority required).

**Health Care: S. 51.** S. Amdt. 202 to S. Con. Res. 8 repealed the Affordable Care Act. The amendment was rejected by a vote of 45-54.

**Health Care: S. 54.** S. Amdt. 438 to S. Con. Res. 8 sought to protect women's access to health care, including primary and preventive health care, family planning and birth control, and employer-provided contraceptive coverage. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of 56-43.

**Budget and Tax: S. 67.** S. Amdt. 307 to S. Con. Res. 8 permanently eliminated the federal estate tax, which would exacerbate income inequality and significantly reduce the revenue available to fund anti-poverty programs. The amendment was rejected by a vote of 46-53.

**Budget and Tax: S. 69.** S. Amdt. 263 to S. Con. Res. 8 required the federal budget to be balanced within five years, drastically reformed entitlement programs, and significantly reduced discretionary spending. The amendment was rejected by a vote of 18-81.

**Immigrants: S. 77.** S. Amdt. 614 to S. Con. Res. 8 prohibited undocumented immigrants, including those granted legal status, from qualifying for federally subsidized health care. The amendment was rejected by a vote of 43-56.

**Voting Rights: S. 83.** S. Amdt. 526 to S. Con. Res. 8 disproportionately disqualified people in poverty from voting by requiring a government-issued photographic ID to vote in federal elections. The amendment was rejected by a vote of 44-54.

**Public Benefits: S. 84.** S. Amdt. 338 to S. Con. Res. 8 ended the mobile phone subsidy program for low-income Americans. This program recognizes the need for phone service to obtain and maintain employment and reach emergency services. The amendment was rejected by a vote of 46-53.

**Budget and Tax: S. 92.** S. Con. Res. 8, the Fiscal Year 2014 Senate Budget Resolution that also establishes recommended spending and tax levels for the next ten years. While this resolution did not fully undo the sequester cuts to discretionary spending, the cuts to programs for people in poverty were far less severe than in the House's version of the budget proposal. The measure was agreed to by a vote of 50-49.

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**Public Benefits: S. 131.** S. Amdt. 931 to S. 954, the Farm Bill, restored all funding cut from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. The amendment was rejected by a vote of 26-70.

**Public Benefits: S. 132.** S. Amdt. 960 to S. 954, the Farm Bill, repealed the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and replaced it with a state nutrition assistance block grant that would have prevented the program from responding to increased need during an economic downturn. The amendment was rejected by a vote of 36-60.

**Immigrants: S. 168.** S. 744, Comprehensive Immigration Reform. Among other provisions, this measure made it possible for undocumented immigrants to gain legal status and eventual citizenship. The bill passed by a vote of 68-32.

**Budget and Tax: S. 281.** H.J. Res. 59, making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2014. This bipartisan agreement negotiated by budget committee chairs Rep. Paul Ryan and Sen. Patty Murray set forth a two-year budget outline and ended \$63 billion in sequester spending cuts. Passed the Senate by a vote of 64-36, passed the House (H. 640) by a vote of 332-94, and was signed into law by President Obama.

## HOUSE VOTE SUMMARIES

**Budget and Tax: H. 14.** H. Amdt. 4 to H.R. 152. This amendment would have required the entire \$17 billion cost of providing disaster relief to the victims and communities affected by Hurricane Sandy to be fully offset with across-the-board cuts in other federally funded programs. The amendment failed by a vote of 162-258.

**Legal Services: H. 18.** H. Amdt. 9 to H.R. 152. This amendment would have eliminated the \$1 million appropriated for free legal services for low-income victims of Hurricane Sandy. The amendment failed by a vote of 202-217.

**Domestic Violence: H. 55.** S. 47. This legislation reauthorized the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). It expanded federal protection under VAWA to include Native Americans, LGBT individuals, and undocumented immigrants. The bill passed the Senate by a vote of 78-22, passed the House by a vote of 286-138 (H. 55), and was signed into law by President Obama.

**Cash Assistance: H. 68.** H.R. 890. Prohibited the federal agency from granting waivers that would allow states to experiment with different approaches to helping recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) obtain and retain employment. The bill passed by a vote of 246-181.

**Workforce: H. 75.** H.R. 803, the “SKILLS” Act, amended the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 with revised requirements and appropriations for

job training, employment services, adult education, and family literacy. Froze funding for seven years and adopted practices that would reduce assistance to low-income adults, veterans, adults with literacy and English language needs, and those with disabilities. The bill passed by a vote of 215-202.

**Budget and Tax: H. 88.** H. Con. Res. 25, the Fiscal Year 2014 House Budget Resolution, also established recommended spending and tax levels for the next ten years. Included in this bill were repeal of the Affordable Care Act and the conversion of Medicare into a system of private insurance vouchers. The bill passed the House by a vote of 221-207.

**Health Care: H. 122.** H. Res. 175 providing for consideration of H.R. 1549, the Helping Sick Americans Now Act. Would have repealed the Affordable Care Act’s (ACA) Prevention and Public Health Fund, which was created to help prevent disease, detect it early, and manage conditions before they become severe. Funding would have been used to provide temporary health insurance for qualified individuals with preexisting health conditions. The measure passed by a vote of 225-189.

**Employment: H. 137.** H.R. 1406 amended the Fair Labor Standards Act to allow employers to offer compensatory time off instead of overtime pay, and lacked sufficient protection for employees who would prefer to get overtime pay. The bill passed by a vote of 223-204.

**Health Care: H. 154.** This bill repealed the Affordable Care Act. The bill passed by a vote of 229-195.

**Immigrants: H. 208.** H. Amdt. 136 to H.R. 2217, prohibited the Department of Homeland Security from using the “Morton Memos,” which set forth guidelines for how to exercise prosecutorial discretion in deciding which immigration and customs enforcement actions to pursue. The bill passed by a vote of 234-201.

**Public Benefits: H. 256.** H. Amdt. 176 to H.R. 1947, the Farm Bill, restored \$20.5 billion in cuts to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program that would cause more than 2 million people to lose eligibility for the program. The amendment failed by a vote of 188-256.

**Public Benefits: H. 262.** H. Amdt. 190 to H.R. 1947, the Farm Bill, sought to make the International Food Aid programs more flexible, efficient, and effective so that food can reach desperate disaster victims quicker. The amendment was rejected by a vote of 203-220.

**Public Benefits: H. 283.** H. Amdt. 230 to H.R. 1947, the Farm Bill, sought to further cut Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program funding by \$31 billion and eliminate nutrition education and job training. It would also have imposed additional work requirements. The amendment failed by a vote of 175-250.

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**Public Benefits: H. 284.** Amendment No. 231 to H.R. 1947, the Farm Bill, authorized states to require federal welfare work requirements within the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, such as the requirement that any adult participant in the program work for at least 20 hours per week. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of 227-198.

**Public Benefits: H. 286.** H.R. 1947, the Farm Bill, included deep cuts to nutrition assistance. The measure failed by a vote of 195-234.

**Health Care: H. 363.** H.R. 2668 sought to delay until 2015 the Affordable Care Act mandate that individuals maintain essential health insurance coverage. The bill passed by a vote of 251-174.

**Education: H. 372.** H. Amdt. 343 to H.R. 5, a substitute to the bill reauthorizing the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, aimed to maintain the civil rights and equity focus of the law and to ensure all students have access to an education that prepares them for college and the workforce. It supported all students, especially those who are historically disadvantaged, through access to high quality state-developed standards, a meaningful but flexible accountability and school improvement system, additional learning time, and after school programs. The amendment failed by a vote of 193-233.

**Budget and Tax: H. 640.** H.J. Res. 59, making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2014. This bipartisan agreement negotiated by budget committee chairs Rep. Paul Ryan and Sen. Patty Murray set forth a two-year budget outline and ended \$63 billion in sequester spending cuts. Passed the Senate by a vote of 64-36 (S. 281), passed the House by a vote of 332-94, and was signed into law by President Obama.

THE SENATE VOTES	PARTY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	SCORE	GRADE	POVERTY RATE
Shelby, Richard	R	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	19.0%
Sessions, Jeff	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	0%	F-	19.0%

THE HOUSE VOTES	DISTRICT	PARTY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	SCORE	GRADE	POVERTY RATE
Roby, Martha	2	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	19.3%
Rogers, Mike	3	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	21.9%
Aderholt, Robert	4	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	19.2%
Brooks, Mo	5	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	14.1%
Bachus, Spencer	6	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	●	33%	D	10.8%
Sewell, Terri	7	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	28.5%

● VOTED TO FIGHT POVERTY  
 ○ VOTED AGAINST FIGHTING POVERTY  
 — DID NOT VOTE

**SENATE VOTES**

- 1. S. 3. Required spending cuts equal to Hurricane Sandy disaster relief
- 2. S. 6. Required spending cuts equal to debt limit increase
- 3. S. 13. Excluded certain victims of violence from legal protection
- 4. S. 19. Reauthorized Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)
- 5. S. 27. Shifted deficit reduction burden from low to high income Americans
- 6. S. 36. Increased funding for high priorities
- 7. S. 51. Repealed the Affordable Care Act
- 8. S. 54. Protected women's access to health care and family planning
- 9. S. 67. Eliminated the estate tax
- 10. S. 69. Required balanced budget and massive spending cuts
- 11. S. 77. Excluded undocumented immigrants from health care
- 12. S. 83. Required photo I.D. to vote

- 13. S. 84. Ended the mobile phone subsidy program
- 14. S. 92. FY14 Senate Budget Resolution
- 15. S. 131. Eliminated cuts to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
- 16. S. 132. Repealed SNAP, replaced with state nutrition assistance block grant
- 17. S. 168. Comprehensive immigration reform
- 18. S. 281. Two-year bipartisan budget agreement

**HOUSE VOTES**

- 1. H. 14. Required spending cuts equal to Hurricane Sandy disaster relief
- 2. H. 18. Killed appropriation for free legal services for Hurricane Sandy victims
- 3. H. 55. Reauthorized Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)
- 4. H. 68. Prohibited state flexibility in administering TANF work programs
- 5. H. 75. The "SKILLS" Act, amended the Workforce Investment Act

- 6. H. 88. The FY14 House Budget Resolution
- 7. H. 122. Repealed the Affordable Care Act's Prevention and Public Health Fund
- 8. H. 137. Pressured employees to elect compensatory time off instead of overtime pay
- 9. H. 154. Repealed the Affordable Care Act
- 10. H. 208. Prohibited applying "Morton Memos" in immigration actions
- 11. H. 256. Restored \$20.5 billion cut from Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
- 12. H. 262. Improved the International Food Aid program
- 13. H. 283. Further cut to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
- 14. H. 284. Imposed 20-hour SNAP work requirement
- 15. H. 286. Final Passage of Farm Bill with deep cuts to nutrition assistance
- 16. H. 363. Sought to delay health insurance coverage mandate until 2015
- 17. H. 372. Substitute for Elementary and Secondary Education Act reauthorization
- 18. H. 640. Two-year bipartisan budget agreement

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Begich, Mark	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	94%	A	10.1%
Murkowski, Lisa	R	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	●	○	●	●	●	○	○	—	●	●	●	59%	C	10.1%

THE HOUSE VOTES	DISTRICT	PARTY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	SCORE	GRADE	POVERTY RATE	
Young, Don	at-large	R	●	○	—	○	○	○	○	●	○	—	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	31%	D	10.1%

- VOTED TO FIGHT POVERTY
- VOTED AGAINST FIGHTING POVERTY
- DID NOT VOTE

**SENATE VOTES**

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7. S. 51. Repealed the Affordable Care Act
8. S. 54. Protected women's access to health care and family planning
9. S. 67. Eliminated the estate tax
10. S. 69. Required balanced budget and massive spending cuts
11. S. 77. Excluded undocumented immigrants from health care
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McCain, John	R	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	28%	D	19.8%
Flake, Jeff	R	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	11%	F	19.8%

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Kirkpatrick, Ann	1	D	—	—	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	●	●	81%	A	21.9%
Barber, Ron	2	D	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	78%	B	16.6%
Grijalva, Raúl	3	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	89%	A	25.2%
Gosar, Paul	4	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	16.5%
Salmon, Matt	5	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	17%	F	9.8%
Schweikert, David	6	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	11%	F	13.2%
Pastor, Ed	7	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	36.3%
Franks, Trent	8	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	11%	F	9.5%
Sinema, Kyrsten	9	D	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	●	●	78%	B	19.2%

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Pryor, Mark	D	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	83%	A	19.8%
Boozman, John	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	19.8%

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Crawford, Rick	1	R	●	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	22.1%
Griffin, Tim	2	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	16.7%
Womack, Steve	3	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	18.7%
Cotton, Tom	4	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	6%	F-	22.0%

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Boxer, Barbara	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	17.0%
Feinstein, Dianne	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	17.0%

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LaMalfa, Doug	1	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	18.6%
Huffman, Jared	2	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	13.7%
Garamendi, John	3	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	89%	A	17.8%
McClintock, Tom	4	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	11%	F	10.8%
Thompson, Mike	5	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	12.9%
Matsui, Doris	6	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	23.9%
Bera, Ami	7	D	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	89%	A	15.3%
Cook, Paul	8	R	●	○	●	○	●	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	29%	D	24.1%
McNerney, Jerry	9	D	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	83%	A	18.3%
Denham, Jeffrey	10	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	22%	D	17.7%
Miller, George	11	D	●	●	●	●	●	—	—	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	12.7%
Pelosi, Nancy	12	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	15.0%
Lee, Barbara	13	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	94%	A	17.6%
Speier, Jackie	14	D	—	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	9.7%
Swalwell, Eric	15	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	9.0%
Costa, Jim	16	D	—	●	●	—	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	93%	A	31.6%
Honda, Michael	17	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	—	—	—	—	●	●	●	100%	A+	8.7%
Eshoo, Anna	18	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	7.4%
Lofgren, Zoe	19	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	14.3%
Farr, Sam	20	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	94%	A	17.0%

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Valadao, David	21	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	28%	D	31.3%
Nunes, Devin	22	R	—	—	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	19%	F	23.5%
McCarthy, Kevin	23	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	22%	D	19.1%
Capps, Lois	24	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	15.4%
McKeon, Howard	25	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	22%	D	16.3%
Brownley, Julia	26	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	83%	A	11.7%
Chu, Judy	27	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	89%	A	12.3%
Schiff, Adam	28	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	16.3%
Cardenas, Tony	29	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	23.7%
Sherman, Brad	30	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	12.8%
Miller, Gary	31	R	○	○	—	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	—	—	—	—	—	○	○	●	17%	F	20.4%	
Napolitano, Grace	32	D	—	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	15.0%
Waxman, Henry	33	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	8.9%
Becerra, Xavier	34	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	29.8%
Negrete McLeod, Gloria	35	D	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	—	—	○	87%	A	18.2%	
Ruiz, Raul	36	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	22.1%
Bass, Karen	37	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	94%	A	23.4%	
Sanchez, Linda	38	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	89%	A	13.5%	
Royce, Ed	39	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	24%	D	10.4%
Roybal-Allard, Lucille	40	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	29.3%
Takano, Mark	41	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	22.0%
Calvert, Ken	42	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	22%	D	11.1%
Waters, Maxine	43	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	94%	A	20.5%
Hahn, Janice	44	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	25.1%
Campbell, John	45	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	—	—	○	○	○	○	○	—	○	●	7%	F-	8.4%	
Sanchez, Loretta	46	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	89%	A	19.8%

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Lowenthal, Alan	47	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	19.5%
Rohrabacher, Dana	48	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	11%	F	10.7%
Issa, Darrell	49	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	11.8%
Hunter, Duncan	50	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	15.7%
Vargas, Juan	51	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	24.8%
Peters, Scott	52	D	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	89%	A	8.9%
Davis, Susan	53	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	13.4%

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Bennet, Michael	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	13.7%
Udall, Mark	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	13.7%

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DeGette, Diana	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	17.9%
Polis, Jared	2	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	12.3%
Tipton, Scott	3	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	17%	F	16.7%
Gardner, Cory	4	R	○	○	●	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	12.4%
Lamborn, Doug	5	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	●	17%	F	13.0%
Coffman, Mike	6	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	11%	F	11.2%
Perlmutter, Ed	7	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	12.5%

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## GOVERNOR DAN MALLOY

Population: 3,596,080  
 Poverty Rate: 10.7%  
 Poverty State Ranking: 47<sup>TH</sup>

## ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

Connecticut Association for Human Services  
 Connecticut Commission on Children  
 Connecticut Association for Community Action  
 Connecticut Voices for Children  
 Legal Assistance Resource Center of Connecticut

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Blumenthal, Richard	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	10.7%
Murphy, Christopher	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	10.7%

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Larson, John	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	17.6%
Courtney, Joe	2	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	10.3%
DeLauro, Rosa	3	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	94%	A	19.2%
Himes, Jim	4	D	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	12.0%
Esty, Elizabeth	5	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	15.7%

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Carper, Thomas	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	12.0%
Coons, Christopher	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	12.0%

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Carney, John	at-large	D	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	89%	A	12.0%

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# FLORIDA

## GOVERNOR RICK SCOTT

Population: 19,552,860  
 Poverty Rate: 17.1%  
 Poverty State Ranking: 17<sup>TH</sup>

## ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

Florida Legal Services  
 Florida Prosperity Partnership

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Nelson, Bill	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	17.1%
Rubio, Marco	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	17%	F	17.1%

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Miller, Jeff	1	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	●	17%	F	15.3%	
Southerland, Steve	2	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	20.1%
Yoho, Ted	3	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	20.4%
Crenshaw, Ander	4	R	—	—	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	19%	F	12.8%
Brown, Corrine	5	D	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	94%	A	28.2%	
DeSantis, Ron	6	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	11%	F	17.3%
Mica, John	7	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	14.5%
Posey, Bill	8	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	15.2%
Grayson, Alan	9	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	19.0%
Webster, Daniel	10	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	18%	F	14.5%
Nugent, Richard	11	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	17%	F	17.6%
Bilirakis, Gus	12	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	●	17%	F	11.4%
Vacant	13																						13.2%	
Castor, Kathy	14	D	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	24.8%
Ross, Dennis	15	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	15.7%
Buchanan, Vern	16	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	17%	F	13.7%
Rooney, Tom	17	R	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	17.9%
Murphy, Tim	18	D	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	78%	B	13.9%
Radel, Trey	19	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	12%	F	13.9%
Hastings, Alcee	20	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	—	—	—	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	23.2%

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Deutch, Ted	21	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	94%	A	11.1%
Frankel, Lois	22	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	94%	A	14.4%
Wasserman Schultz, Debbie	23	D	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	14.2%
Wilson, Frederica	24	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	25.6%
Diaz-Balart, Mario	25	R	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	29%	D	16.6%
Garcia, Joe	26	D	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	●	●	78%	B	16.3%
Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana	27	R	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	22%	D	21.4%

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## GOVERNOR NATHAN DEAL

Population: **9,992,167**  
 Poverty Rate: **19.2%**  
 Poverty State Ranking: **6TH**

## ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

Georgia Family Connection Partnership  
 Georgia Budget and Policy Institute  
 Georgia Women for a Change

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Chambliss, Saxby	R	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	22%	D	19.2%
Isakson, Johnny	R	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	22%	D	19.2%

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Kingston, Jack	1	R	—	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	18.3%
Bishop Jr., Sanford	2	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	—	65%	B	28.3%
Westmoreland, Lynn	3	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	16.4%
Johnson, Hank	4	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	20.1%
Lewis, John	5	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	100%	A+	26.3%
Price, Tom	6	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	10.4%
Woodall, Rob	7	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	12.9%
Scott, Austin	8	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	21.8%
Collins, Doug	9	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	18.5%
Broun, Paul	10	R	○	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	17%	F	18.9%
Gingrey, Phil	11	R	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	17%	F	12.6%

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Scott, David	13	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	20.8%
Graves, Tom	14	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	19.1%

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## GOVERNOR NEIL ABERCROMBIE

Population: **1,404,054**  
 Poverty Rate: **11.6%**  
 Poverty State Ranking: **43RD**

## ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

Legal Aid Society of Hawaii  
 Hawai'i Alliance for Community-Based Economic  
 Development (HACBED)  
 Hawai'i Apple Seed Center

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Hirono, Mazie	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	11.6%
Schatz, Brian	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	11.6%

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Hanabusa, Colleen	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	89%	A	10.0%
Gabbard, Tulsi	2	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	13.2%

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Risch, James	R	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	0%	F-	15.9%

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Simpson, Mike	2	R	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	22%	D	15.9%

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## ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

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Durbin, Dick	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	14.7%
Kirk, Mark	R	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	28%	D	14.7%

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Rush, Bobby	1	D	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	100%	A+	20.6%
Kelly, Robin	2	D							●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	92%	A	22.6%
Lipinski, Daniel	3	D	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	89%	A	12.0%
Gutierrez, Luis	4	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	—	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	21.7%
Quigley, Mike	5	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	11.4%
Roskam, Peter	6	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	22%	D	5.9%
Davis, Danny	7	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	100%	A+	27.4%
Duckworth, Tammy	8	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	10.0%
Schakowsky, Jan	9	D	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	94%	A	13.5%
Schneider, Brad	10	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	94%	A	10.4%
Foster, Bill	11	D	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	11.0%
Enyart, Bill	12	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	83%	A	18.4%
Davis, Rodney	13	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	18.9%
Hultgren, Randy	14	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	N/A
Shimkus, John	15	R	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	22%	D	14.7%
Kinzinger, Adam	16	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	22%	D	12.1%

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Bustos, Cheri	17	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	78%	B	17.9%	
Schock, Aaron	18	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	●	22%	D	10.3%

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Coats, Dan	R	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	15.6%
Donnelly, Joe	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	15.6%

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Visclosky, Peter	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	89%	A	17.8%
Walorski, Jackie	2	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	●	28%	D	15.1%
Stutzman, Marlin	3	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	11%	F	14.7%
Rokita, Todd	4	R	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	22%	D	13.4%
Brooks, Susan	5	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	9.0%
Messer, Luke	6	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	15.8%
Carson, André	7	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	24.4%
Bucshon, Larry	8	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	14.7%
Young, Todd	9	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	15.6%

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Harkin, Tom	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	12.7%

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Loebsack, Dave	2	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	89%	A	14.2%
Latham, Tom	3	R	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	22%	D	12.1%
King, Steve	4	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	0%	F-	13.5%

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Roberts, Pat	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	11%	F	14.0%

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Jenkins, Lynn	2	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	16.6%
Yoder, Kevin	3	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	10.3%
Pompeo, Mike	4	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	11%	F	15.3%

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McConnell, Mitch	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	0%	F-	19.4%
Paul, Rand	R	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	19.4%

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Whitfield, Edward	1	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	12%	F	20.1%
Guthrie, Brett	2	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	17%	F	17.5%
Yarmuth, John	3	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	18.4%
Massie, Thomas	4	R	○	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	28%	D	14.6%
Rogers, Harold	5	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	—	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	13%	F	27.5%
Barr, Andy	6	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	17%	F	18.4%

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Landrieu, Mary	D	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	89%	A	19.9%
Vitter, David	R	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	19.9%

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Scalise, Steve	1	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	6%	F-	14.5%
Richmond, Cedric	2	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	89%	A	27.1%
Boustany Jr., Charles	3	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	18.2%
Fleming, John	4	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	11%	F	19.8%
McAllister, Vance	5	R																	●			24.9%	
Cassidy, Bill	6	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	15.5%

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King, Angus	I	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	14.7%

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Pingree, Chellie	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	94%	A	12.6%
Michaud, Michael	2	D	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	89%	A	16.8%

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Cardin, Ben	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	10.3%
Mikulski, Barbara	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	10.3%

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Harris, Andy	1	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	0%	F-	10.4%
Ruppenger, C.A. Dutch	2	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	12.6%
Sarbans, John	3	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	8.1%
Edwards, Donna	4	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	9.6%
Hoyer, Steny	5	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	94%	A	7.7%
Delaney, John	6	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	9.4%
Cummings, Elijah	7	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	17.9%
Van Hollen, Chris	8	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	6.7%

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## GOVERNOR DEVAL PATRICK

Population: 6,692,824  
 Poverty Rate: 11.9%  
 Poverty State Ranking: 40th

## ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

Massachusetts Citizens for Children  
 Massachusetts Budget and Policy Center  
 Massachusetts Association for Community Action Program  
 Massachusetts Law Reform Institute

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Warren, Elizabeth	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	11.9%
Markey, Ed	D	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	●			11.9%

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Neal, Richard	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	16.2%
McGovern, Jim	2	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	100%	A+	12.8%
Tsongas, Niki	3	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	12.7%
Kennedy III, Joseph	4	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	7.9%
Clark, Katherine	5	D																	●			8.4%	
Tierney, John	6	D	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	8.0%
Capuano, Michael	7	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	21.3%
Lynch, Stephen	8	D	●	—	●	—	—	●	—	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	93%	A	9.7%
Keating, Bill	9	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	10.5%

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## GOVERNOR RICK SNYDER

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 Poverty State Ranking: 14TH

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Michigan League for Public Policy  
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Levin, Carl	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	17.4%
Stabenow, Debbie	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	17.4%

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Benishek, Dan	1	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	17%	F	15.4%
Huizenga, Bill	2	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	16.3%
Amash, Justin	3	R	○	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	28%	D	16.9%
Camp, Dave	4	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	17.4%
Kildee, Dan	5	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	20.4%
Upton, Fred	6	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	17.7%
Walberg, Tim	7	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	13.5%
Rogers, Mike	8	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	17%	F	13.8%
Levin, Sander	9	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	89%	A	13.7%
Miller, Candice	10	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	11.2%
Bentivolio, Kerry	11	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	7.9%
Dingell, John	12	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	19.0%

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Peters, Gary	14	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	83%	A	28.0%

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Franken, Al	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	11.4%
Klobuchar, Amy	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	11.4%

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Walz, Tim	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	83%	A	11.7%
Kline, John	2	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	22%	D	7.2%
Paulsen, Erik	3	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	6.8%
McCullum, Betty	4	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	14.1%
Ellison, Keith	5	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	94%	A	18.5%
Bachmann, Michele	6	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	11%	F	7.9%
Peterson, Collin	7	D	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	61%	B	11.7%
Nolan, Rick	8	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	13.2%

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# MISSISSIPPI

## GOVERNOR PHIL BRYANT

Population: 2,991,207  
 Poverty Rate: 24.2%  
 Poverty State Ranking: 1st

## ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

Public Policy Center of Mississippi  
 Children's Defense Fund: Southern Regional Office  
 Mississippi Center for Justice

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Cochran, Thad	R	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	22%	D	24.2%
Wicker, Roger	R	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	17%	F	24.2%

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Nunnelee, Alan	1	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	20.2%
Thompson, Bennie	2	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	89%	A	32.4%
Harper, Gregg	3	R	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	22%	D	22.1%
Palazzo, Steven	4	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	22.2%

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McCaskill, Claire	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	○	●	●	●	89%	A	16.2%

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Clay, William	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	24.1%
Wagner, Ann	2	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	6.5%
Luetkemeyer, Blaine	3	R	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	13.0%
Hartzler, Vicky	4	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	17.3%
Cleaver II, Emanuel	5	D	—	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	19.4%
Graves, Sam	6	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	11.6%
Long, Billy	7	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	18.6%
Smith, Jason	8	R										○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○				19.7%

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Population: **1,015,165**  
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Montana Food Bank Network  
 Community Action Partnership of  
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Baucus, Max	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	83%	A	15.5%
Tester, Jon	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	15.5%

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Daines, Steve	at-large	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	15.5%

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Fischer, Deb	R	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	13.0%
Johanns, Mike	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	13.0%

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Fortenberry, Jeff	1	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	17%	F	12.5%
Terry, Lee	2	R	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	22%	D	13.9%
Smith, Adrian	3	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	0%	F-	12.5%

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Heller, Dean	R	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	17%	F	16.4%
Reid, Harry	D	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	16.4%

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Titus, Dina	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	23.5%
Amodei, Mark	2	R	○	○	●	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	18%	F	16.8%
Heck, Joe	3	R	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	○	●	○	○	○	28%	D	8.8%
Horsford, Steven	4	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	—	●	100%	A+	17.1%

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Population: **1,323,459**  
 Poverty Rate: **10.0%**  
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### ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

New Hampshire Kids Court  
 New Hampshire Community Loan Fund  
 New Hampshire Legal Assistance  
 New Hampshire Fiscal Policy Institute

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Ayotte, Kelly	R	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	28%	D	10.0%
Shaheen, Jeanne	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	10.0%

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Shea-Porter, Carol	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	10.5%
Kuster, Ann	2	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	9.5%

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# NEW JERSEY

## GOVERNOR CHRIS CHRISTIE

Population: 8,899,339  
 Poverty Rate: 10.8%  
 Poverty State Ranking: 46TH

## ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

New Jersey Policy Perspective  
 Legal Services of New Jersey  
 The Anti-Poverty Network of New Jersey  
 Advocates for Children of New Jersey

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Booker, Cory	D																						10.8%
Menendez, Robert	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	100%	A+	10.8%	

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Andrews, Robert	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	12.0%
LoBiondo, Frank	2	R	●	●	●	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	●	○	●	○	○	●	50%	C	12.7%
Runyan, Jon	3	R	●	●	●	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	39%	D	6.7%
Smith, Christopher	4	R	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	●	●	○	●	○	○	●	44%	C	9.5%
Garrett, Scott	5	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	11%	F	5.9%
Pallone, Frank	6	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	—	●	●	●	●	●	—	93%	A	10.9%
Lance, Leonard	7	R	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	○	●	○	○	●	39%	D	4.9%
Sires, Albio	8	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	17.6%
Pascrell Jr., Bill	9	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	15.0%
Payne Jr., Donald	10	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	20.2%

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Frelinghuysen, Rodney	11	R	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	28%	D	4.3%
Holt, Rush	12	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	—	●	●	●	—	●	○	●	93%	A	9.5%

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## GOVERNOR SUSANA MARTINEZ

Population: **2,085,287**  
 Poverty Rate: **20.8%**  
 Poverty State Ranking: **2ND**

## ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

Community Action Agency of Southern New Mexico  
 New Mexico Voices for Children  
 New Mexico Center on Law and Poverty

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Heinrich, Martin	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	20.8%
Udall, Tom	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	20.8%

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Lujan Grisham, Michelle	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	19.2%
Pearce, Steve	2	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	12%	F	23.2%
Lujan, Ben	3	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	20.2%

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## GOVERNOR ANDREW CUOMO

Population: 19,651,127 22ND  
 Poverty Rate: 15.9%  
 Poverty State Ranking:

### ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

Empire Justice Center  
 Schulyer Center for Analysis and Advocacy  
 NYS Community Action Association  
 Hunger Action Network of NYS

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Gillibrand, Kirsten	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	15.9%
Schumer, Charles	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	15.9%

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Bishop, Timothy	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	7.4%
King, Peter	2	R	●	●	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	●	39%	D	6.1%
Israel, Steve	3	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	5.8%
McCarthy, Carolyn	4	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			7.7%
Meeks, Gregory	5	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	15.3%
Meng, Grace	6	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	15.1%
Velázquez, Nydia	7	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	94%	A	29.5%
Jeffries, Hakeem	8	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	24.6%
Clarke, Yvette	9	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	94%	A	19.9%
Nadler, Jerrold	10	D	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	16.7%
Grimm, Mike	11	R	●	●	●	○	●	○	○	●	○	●	●	○	●	○	○	—	○	●	53%	C	13.8%
Maloney, Carolyn	12	D	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	12.1%
Rangel, Charles	13	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	28.3%
Crowley, Joseph	14	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	18.8%
Serrano, José	15	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	41.0%
Engel, Eliot	16	D	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	14.3%
Lowey, Nita	17	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	11.5%
Maloney, Sean	18	D	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	○	●	●	78%	B	10.3%
Gibson, Chris	19	R	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	●	44%	C	12.6%
Tonko, Paul	20	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	12.3%
Owens, Bill	21	D	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	72%	B	13.7%

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Hanna, Richard	22	R	●	●	●	○	—	○	○	●	○	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	●	47%	C	15.5%
Reed, Tom	23	R	●	●	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	24%	D	16.6%
Maffei, Dan	24	D	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	●	●	83%	A	14.6%
Slaughter, Louise	25	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	—	—	—	●	●	○	93%	A	15.4%
Higgins, Brian	26	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	18.6%
Collins, Chris	27	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	22%	D	8.7%

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# NORTH CAROLINA

## GOVERNOR PAT MCCRORY

Population: 9,848,060  
 Poverty Rate: 18.0%  
 Poverty State Ranking: 10<sup>TH</sup>

## ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

North Carolina Justice Center  
 North Carolina Community Action Association

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Burr, Richard	R	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	18.0%
Hagan, Kay	D	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	83%	A	18.0%

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Butterfield, G.	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	100%	A+	28.7%
Ellmers, Renee	2	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	15.1%
Jones, Walter	3	R	○	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	17%	F	16.2%
Price, David	4	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	18.3%
Foxx, Virginia	5	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	19.2%
Coble, Howard	6	R	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	14.2%
McIntyre, Mike	7	D	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	●	○	56%	C	18.0%
Hudson, Richard	8	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	21.1%
Pittenger, Robert	9	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	—	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	●	18%	F	8.0%
McHenry, Patrick	10	R	○	○	●	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	18%	F	18.1%
Meadows, Mark	11	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	18.6%

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Watt, Melvin	12	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	94%	A	27.5%
Holding, George	13	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	12.2%

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Heitkamp, Heidi	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	11.2%
Hoeven, John	R	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	28%	D	11.2%

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Cramer, Kevin	at-large	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	11.2%

- VOTED TO FIGHT POVERTY
- VOTED AGAINST FIGHTING POVERTY
- DID NOT VOTE

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Population: 11,570,808  
 Poverty Rate: 16.3%  
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## ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

Policy Matters Ohio  
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Brown, Sherrod	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	16.3%
Portman, Rob	R	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	22%	D	16.3%

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Chabot, Steven	1	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	11%	F	18.1%
Wenstrup, Brad	2	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	11%	F	15.7%
Beatty, Joyce	3	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	23.8%
Jordan, Jim	4	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	11%	F	14.4%
Latta, Robert	5	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	13.7%
Johnson, Bill	6	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	16.2%
Gibbs, Bob	7	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	13.2%
Boehner, John	8	R					○	○									○		●			14.9%	
Kaptur, Marcy	9	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	22.8%
Turner, Michael	10	R	●	●	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	●	●	39%	D	17.7%
Fudge, Marcia	11	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	89%	A	27.6%
Tiberi, Pat	12	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	11.3%
Ryan, Tim	13	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	19.5%
Joyce, Dave	14	R	●	○	●	○	—	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	●	41%	C	9.7%

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Stivers, Steve	15	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	14.7%
Renacci, Jim	16	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	17%	F	7.5%

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Coburn, Tom	R	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	○	0%	F-	17.2%
Inhofe, James	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	○	6%	F-	17.2%

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Bridenstine, Jim	1	R	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	22%	D	15.4%
Mullin, Markwayne	2	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	0%	F-	21.5%
Lucas, Frank	3	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	17%	F	14.7%
Cole, Tom	4	R	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	28%	D	14.3%
Lankford, James	5	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	20.3%

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Merkley, Jeff	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	17.2%
Wyden, Ron	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	17.2%

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Bonamici, Suzanne	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	21.5%
Walden, Greg	2	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	20.3%
Blumenauer, Earl	3	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	15.4%
DeFazio, Peter	4	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	94%	A	14.7%
Schrader, Kurt	5	D	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	72%	B	14.3%

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# PENNSYLVANIA

## GOVERNOR TOM CORBETT

Population: 12,773,801  
 Poverty Rate: 13.7%  
 Poverty State Ranking: 29<sup>TH</sup>

## ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

Community Legal Services of Philadelphia  
 Community Action Association of Pennsylvania  
 Pennsylvania Budget and Policy Center  
 Keystone Research Center

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Casey, Bob	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	13.7%
Toomey, Pat	R	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	13.7%

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Brady, Robert	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	25.6%
Fattah, Chaka	2	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	28.7%
Kelly, Mike	3	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	13.8%
Perry, Scott	4	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	●	17%	F	11.8%
Thompson, Glenn	5	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	15.7%
Gerlach, Jim	6	R	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	22%	D	8.1%
Meehan, Pat	7	R	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	●	44%	C	6.4%
Fitzpatrick, Michael	8	R	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	39%	D	5.3%
Shuster, Bill	9	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	22%	D	15.1%
Marino, Tom	10	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	14.2%
Barletta, Lou	11	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	12.4%
Rothfus, Keith	12	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	9.4%
Schwartz, Allyson	13	D	—	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	14.2%
Doyle, Mike	14	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	18.2%
Dent, Charlie	15	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	28%	D	11.4%
Pitts, Joe	16	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	17%	F	15.2%

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Cartwright, Matt	17	D	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	13.6%
Murphy, Patrick	18	D	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	8.0%

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# RHODE ISLAND

## GOVERNOR LINCOLN CHAFEE

Population: **1,051,511**  
 Poverty Rate: **13.7%**  
 Poverty State Ranking: **29<sup>TH</sup>**

## ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

Rhode Island Kids Count  
 Economic Progress Institute  
 Rhode Island Community Action Association

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Reed, Jack	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	13.7%
Whitehouse, Sheldon	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	100%	A+	13.7%

THE HOUSE VOTES	DISTRICT	PARTY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	SCORE	GRADE	POVERTY RATE
Cicilline, David	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	94%	A	16.1%
Langevin, Jim	2	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	11.3%

- VOTED TO FIGHT POVERTY
- VOTED AGAINST FIGHTING POVERTY
- DID NOT VOTE

### SENATE VOTES

1. S. 3. Required spending cuts equal to Hurricane Sandy disaster relief
2. S. 6. Required spending cuts equal to debt limit increase
3. S. 13. Excluded certain victims of violence from legal protection
4. S. 19. Reauthorized Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)
5. S. 27. Shifted deficit reduction burden from low to high income Americans
6. S. 36. Increased funding for high priorities
7. S. 51. Repealed the Affordable Care Act
8. S. 54. Protected women's access to health care and family planning
9. S. 67. Eliminated the estate tax
10. S. 69. Required balanced budget and massive spending cuts
11. S. 77. Excluded undocumented immigrants from health care
12. S. 83. Required photo I.D. to vote

### HOUSE VOTES

1. H. 14. Required spending cuts equal to Hurricane Sandy disaster relief
2. H. 18. Killed appropriation for free legal services for Hurricane Sandy victims
3. H. 55. Reauthorized Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)
4. H. 68. Prohibited state flexibility in administering TANF work programs
5. H. 75. The "SKILLS" Act, amended the Workforce Investment Act
6. H. 88. The FY14 House Budget Resolution
7. H. 122. Repealed the Affordable Care Act's Prevention and Public Health Fund
8. H. 137. Pressured employees to elect compensatory time off instead of overtime pay
9. H. 154. Repealed the Affordable Care Act
10. H. 208. Prohibited applying "Morton Memos" in immigration actions
11. H. 256. Restored \$20.5 billion cut from Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
12. H. 262. Improved the International Food Aid program
13. H. 283. Further cut to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
14. H. 284. Imposed 20-hour SNAP work requirement
15. H. 286. Final Passage of Farm Bill with deep cuts to nutrition assistance
16. H. 363. Sought to delay health insurance coverage mandate until 2015
17. H. 372. Substitute for Elementary and Secondary Education Act reauthorization
18. H. 640. Two-year bipartisan budget agreement

# SOUTH CAROLINA

## GOVERNOR NIKKI HALEY

Population: 4,774,839  
 Poverty Rate: 18.3%  
 Poverty State Ranking: 9<sup>TH</sup>

## ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

South Carolina Applesseed Legal Justice Center  
 Children's Trust of South Carolina

THE SENATE VOTES	PARTY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	SCORE	GRADE	POVERTY RATE
Graham, Lindsey	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	17%	F	18.3%
Scott, Timothy	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	0%	F-	18.3%

THE HOUSE VOTES	DISTRICT	PARTY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	SCORE	GRADE	POVERTY RATE
Sanford, Mark	1	R									○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○			11.9%
Wilson, Joe	2	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	14.2%
Duncan, Jeffrey	3	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	11%	F	19.3%
Gowdy, Trey	4	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	11%	F	17.9%
Mulvaney, Mick	5	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	11%	F	17.9%
Clyburn, James	6	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	25.9%
Rice, Tom	7	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	21.4%

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1. S. 3. Required spending cuts equal to Hurricane Sandy disaster relief
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5. S. 27. Shifted deficit reduction burden from low to high income Americans
6. S. 36. Increased funding for high priorities
7. S. 51. Repealed the Affordable Care Act
8. S. 54. Protected women's access to health care and family planning
9. S. 67. Eliminated the estate tax
10. S. 69. Required balanced budget and massive spending cuts
11. S. 77. Excluded undocumented immigrants from health care
12. S. 83. Required photo I.D. to vote

### HOUSE VOTES

1. H. 14. Required spending cuts equal to Hurricane Sandy disaster relief
2. H. 18. Killed appropriation for free legal services for Hurricane Sandy victims
3. H. 55. Reauthorized Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)
4. H. 68. Prohibited state flexibility in administering TANF work programs
5. H. 75. The "SKILLS" Act, amended the Workforce Investment Act
6. H. 88. The FY14 House Budget Resolution
7. H. 122. Repealed the Affordable Care Act's Prevention and Public Health Fund
8. H. 137. Pressured employees to elect compensatory time off instead of overtime pay
9. H. 154. Repealed the Affordable Care Act
10. H. 208. Prohibited applying "Morton Memos" in immigration actions
11. H. 256. Restored \$20.5 billion cut from Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
12. H. 262. Improved the International Food Aid program
13. H. 283. Further cut to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
14. H. 284. Imposed 20-hour SNAP work requirement
15. H. 286. Final Passage of Farm Bill with deep cuts to nutrition assistance
16. H. 363. Sought to delay health insurance coverage mandate until 2015
17. H. 372. Substitute for Elementary and Secondary Education Act reauthorization
18. H. 640. Two-year bipartisan budget agreement

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Johnson, Tim	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	13.4%
Thune, John	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	13.4%

THE HOUSE VOTES	DISTRICT	PARTY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	SCORE	GRADE	POVERTY RATE
Noem, Kristi	at-large	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	17%	F	13.4%

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9. S. 67. Eliminated the estate tax
10. S. 69. Required balanced budget and massive spending cuts
11. S. 77. Excluded undocumented immigrants from health care
12. S. 83. Required photo I.D. to vote

13. S. 84. Ended the mobile phone subsidy program
14. S. 92. FY14 Senate Budget Resolution
15. S. 131. Eliminated cuts to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
16. S. 132. Repealed SNAP, replaced with state nutrition assistance block grant
17. S. 168. Comprehensive immigration reform
18. S. 281. Two-year bipartisan budget agreement

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Alexander, Lamar	R	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	17%	F	17.9%
Corker, Bob	R	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	○	22%	D	17.9%

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Roe, Phil	1	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	19.5%
Duncan Jr., John	2	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	6%	F-	16.3%
Fleischmann, Chuck	3	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	17.3%
DesJarlais, Scott	4	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	0%	F-	17.1%
Cooper, Jim	5	D	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	●	●	89%	A	18.8%
Black, Diane	6	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	15.0%
Blackburn, Marsha	7	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	16.3%
Fincher, Stephen	8	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	13.9%
Cohen, Steve	9	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	27.2%

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# TEXAS

## GOVERNOR RICK PERRY

Population: 26,448,193  
 Poverty Rate: 17.9%  
 Poverty State Ranking: 11th

## ANTI-POVERTY ORGANIZATIONS

Texas Legal Services Center  
 Center for Public Policy Priorities  
 Texans Care for Children  
 Texas Impact

THE SENATE VOTES	PARTY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	SCORE	GRADE	POVERTY RATE
Cornyn, Jon	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	0%	F-	17.9%
Cruz, Ted	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	17.9%

THE HOUSE VOTES	DISTRICT	PARTY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	SCORE	GRADE	POVERTY RATE
Gohmert, Louie	1	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	○	11%	F	19.3%
Poe, Ted	2	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	10.9%
Johnson, Sam	3	R	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	0%	F-	7.9%
Hall, Ralph	4	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	17.7%
Hensarling, Jeb	5	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	●	17%	F	22.0%
Barton, Joe	6	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	0%	F-	12.3%
Culberson, John	7	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	●	24%	D	10.7%
Brady, Kevin	8	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	●	17%	F	14.3%
Green, Al	9	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	23.7%
McCaul, Michael	10	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	13.2%
Conaway, K.	11	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	14.0%
Granger, Kay	12	R	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	12.9%
Thornberry, William	13	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	16.1%
Weber, Randy	14	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	15.3%
Hinojosa, Rubén	15	D	●	●	—	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	28.7%
O'Rourke, Beto	16	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	22.1%
Flores, Bill	17	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	12%	F	20.1%
Jackson-Lee, Sheila	18	D	—	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	27.0%
Neugebauer, Randy	19	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	0%	F-	19.6%
Castro, Joaquin	20	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	100%	A+	21.4%
Smith, Lamar	21	R	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	6%	F-	13.1%

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Olson, Pete	22	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	8.4%
Gallego, Pete	23	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	●	●	89%	A	21.1%
Marchant, Kenny	24	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	11.3%
Williams, Roger	25	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	14.6%
Burgess, Michael	26	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	8.0%
Farenthold, Blake	27	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	15.9%
Cuellar, Henry	28	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	83%	A	27.6%
Green, Gene	29	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	28.7%
Johnson, Eddie	30	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	23.0%
Carter, John	31	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	18%	F	10.3%
Sessions, Pete	32	R	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	12%	F	13.2%
Veasey, Marc	33	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	29.4%
Vela, Filemon	34	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	89%	A	32.6%
Doggett, Lloyd	35	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	26.3%
Stockman, Steve	36	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	6%	F-	14.6%

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Hatch, Orrin	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	22%	D	12.8%
Lee, Mike	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	12.8%

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Bishop, Rob	1	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	28%	D	11.6%
Stewart, Chris	2	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	14.4%
Chaffetz, Jason	3	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	12.9%
Matheson, Jim	4	D	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	61%	B	12.5%

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Leahy, Patrick	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	11.8%
Sanders, Bernie	I	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	11.8%

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Welch, Peter	at-large	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	11.8%

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Kaine, Timothy	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	11.7%
Warner, Mark	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	94%	A	11.7%

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Wittman, Robert	1	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	11%	F	8.1%
Rigell, Scott	2	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	22%	D	10.8%
Scott, Robert	3	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	22.7%
Forbes, J.	4	R	●	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	10.5%
Hurt, Robert	5	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	●	17%	F	16.1%
Goodlatte, Robert	6	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	11%	F	15.5%
Cantor, Eric	7	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	7.6%
Moran, James	8	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	7.7%
Griffith, Morgan	9	R	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	20.0%
Wolf, Frank	10	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●	○	○	●	28%	D	5.6%
Connolly, Gerald	11	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	5.8%

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Murray, Patty	D	—	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	100%	A+	13.5%

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DelBene, Suzan	1	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	89%	A	9.1%
Larsen, Rick	2	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	—	—	—	—	—	●	●	●	100%	A+	12.6%
Herrera Beutler, Jaime	3	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	—	—	●	19%	F	13.6%
Hastings, Doc	4	R	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	18.6%
McMorris Rodgers, Cathy	5	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	17%	F	17.8%
Kilmer, Derek	6	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	13.5%
McDermott, Jim	7	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	12.1%
Reichert, Dave	8	R	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	28%	D	10.1%
Smith, Adam	9	D	●	●	●	●	—	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	15.3%
Heck, Denny	10	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	12.9%

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Manchin, Joe	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	78%	B	17.8%
Rockefeller, Jay	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	—	●	●	94%	A	17.8%

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McKinley, David	1	R	●	○	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	22%	D	19.1%
Capito, Shelley	2	R	●	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	22%	D	14.2%
Rahall II, Nick	3	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	○	●	●	○	○	●	●	78%	B	20.2%

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Baldwin, Tammy	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	13.2%
Johnson, Ron	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	6%	F-	13.2%

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Ryan, Paul	1	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	●	22%	D	11.7%
Pocan, Mark	2	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	89%	A	12.7%
Kind, Ron	3	D	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	94%	A	14.3%
Moore, Gwen	4	D	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	100%	A+	26.5%
Sensenbrenner, F.	5	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●	○	○	●	17%	F	8.2%
Petri, Tom	6	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	9.8%
Duffy, Sean	7	R	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	18%	F	12.4%
Ribble, Reid	8	R	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	11%	F	10.3%

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Enzi, Mike	R	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	0%	F-	12.6%

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Lummis, Cynthia	at-large	R	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	6%	F-	11.30%

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18. S. 281. Two-year bipartisan budget agreement

**HOUSE VOTES**

1. H. 14. Required spending cuts equal to Hurricane Sandy disaster relief
2. H. 18. Killed appropriation for free legal services for Hurricane Sandy victims
3. H. 55. Reauthorized Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)
4. H. 68. Prohibited state flexibility in administering TANF work programs
5. H. 75. The "SKILLS" Act, amended the Workforce Investment Act

6. H. 88. The FY14 House Budget Resolution
7. H. 122. Repealed the Affordable Care Act's Prevention and Public Health Fund
8. H. 137. Pressured employees to elect compensatory time off instead of overtime pay
9. H. 154. Repealed the Affordable Care Act
10. H. 208. Prohibited applying "Morton Memos" in immigration actions
11. H. 256. Restored \$20.5 billion cut from Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
12. H. 262. Improved the International Food Aid program
13. H. 283. Further cut to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
14. H. 284. Imposed 20-hour SNAP work requirement
15. H. 286. Final Passage of Farm Bill with deep cuts to nutrition assistance
16. H. 363. Sought to delay health insurance coverage mandate until 2015
17. H. 372. Substitute for Elementary and Secondary Education Act reauthorization
18. H. 640. Two-year bipartisan budget agreement

# ABOUT THE SHRIVER CENTER

## Our Mission

The Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law provides national leadership in advancing laws and policies that secure justice to improve the lives and opportunities of people living in poverty.

Access to justice and equal opportunity under the law are fundamental American values. We ensure that laws and policies provide people living in poverty with access to adequate health care, decent housing, a safety net, and opportunities to achieve their full potential. We specialize in practical solutions.

Through policy development, advocacy, litigation, consulting, training and communications, we are building the nationwide capacity of people living in poverty by representing them directly and by supporting and enhancing the capacity of other public interest lawyers who serve them.

The Shriver Center achieves its mission through three interconnected programs: advocacy, communication, and training:

## Advocacy

Our lawyer-advocates use their expertise in courtrooms, legislatures and a range of forums to advance policies that secure justice and create opportunities for people living in poverty.

Our advocacy agenda currently includes these issue areas:

- Asset Opportunity
- Budget & Tax Justice
- Community Justice
- Economic Justice
- Education
- Health Care Justice
- Housing Justice
- Women's Law & Policy Project

## Communication

The Shriver Center's communication programs serve as a hub for information exchange among civil legal service providers and other advocates for the poor across the nation. We help advocates effectively share information on the latest legal strategies and best practices for representing low-income clients. Our flagship publication, *Clearinghouse Review*, features articles written by experts in their fields on the latest developments in poverty law, as well as stories about affirmative advocacy efforts undertaken by legal aid providers across the country. We also provide timely news and information to advocates through webinars, advocacy stories, manuals, blog posts, and newsletters.



## Training

The Shriver Center's training program helps to create a more just and equitable society by providing advocates across the country with the full range of education, training, and leadership development resources they need to obtain justice for their clients. Courses are designed to help build the skills of advocates, provide direction and support for their practice, and also connect advocates in a way that builds a stronger national community that can work together to advocate for systemic change for people living in poverty.

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