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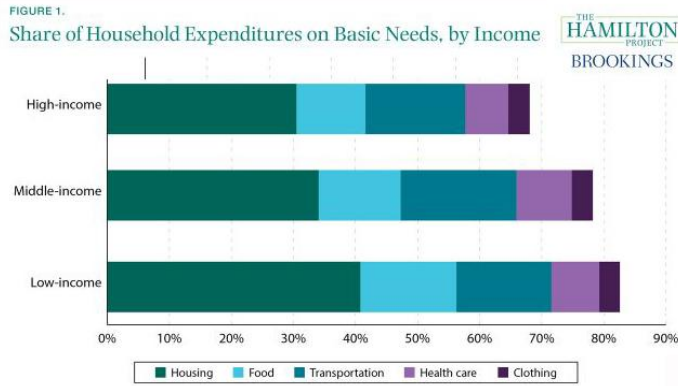
Thank You!



We are so incredibly grateful to the corporations, foundations, organizations and individuals who donated funds, gift cards, turkeys, food and their time during the holiday season.

During the months of November and December, WCFB distributed enough food for more than 819,000 meals. The Food Bank and our network of 128 Partner Agencies thank you for your compassion and commitment to help in creating a hunger-free Worcester County. *We couldn't do it without you!*

## Low-income families spend less on food in the winter months



Source: Consumer Expenditure Survey (2014)  
Notes: Low-income, middle-income, and high-income are defined as the average expenditures of consumer units in the bottom, middle, and top income quintiles, respectively.

A [report](#) from the Hamilton Project of the Brookings Institute confirms that low-income families spend a higher percentage of their income, more than 80 percent, on basic needs.

According to the report, "evidence shows that consumption patterns in low-income households are particularly sensitive to variation in housing expenses: adults in low-income households tend to decrease food consumption to

offset rising utilities expenditures during the winter, while higher-income households increase expenditures on both utilities and food."

## Hiring - Child Nutrition Coordinator - Part-time



WCFB is hiring a part-time Child Nutrition Coordinator to work on the After the Bell (ATB) Breakfast in the Classroom (BIC) program. ATB BIC in an evidence-based model of delivering school breakfast that increases meal participation, increases school meal revenue, and increases food security in high poverty school districts. For the complete job description and application instructions, please visit: [foodbank.org/meet-us/employment/](http://foodbank.org/meet-us/employment/).

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