

CHESTER COUNTY, PA, 2017

ALICE HOUSEHOLD SURVIVAL BUDGET

	Single Adult	Married Couple	1 Adult, 1 School-Age Child	1 Adult, 1 Infant	2 Adult, 2 School-Age Children	2 Adults, 1 Infant, 1 Preschooler
Housing	\$845	\$1,003	\$1,003	\$1,003	\$1,211	\$1,211
Child Care	\$-	\$-	\$319	\$969	\$639	\$1,820
Food	\$199	\$414	\$345	\$288	\$692	\$604
Transportation	\$353	\$424	\$424	\$424	\$707	\$707
Health Care	\$158	\$316	\$320	\$298	\$596	\$635
Miscellaneous	\$197	\$271	\$283	\$361	\$443	\$596
Technology	\$55	\$75	\$55	\$55	\$75	\$75
Taxes	\$361	\$476	\$367	\$570	\$509	\$912
Monthly Total	\$2,168	\$2,979	\$3,116	\$3,968	\$4,872	\$6,560
Annual Total	\$26,016	\$35,748	\$37,392	\$47,616	\$58,464	\$78,720
Hourly Wage	\$13.01	\$17.87	\$18.70	\$23.81	\$29.23	\$39.36

Note: The budgets reflect different costs based on the age of children in the household; full-day care for infants and preschoolers (4-year-old) and after school care for school-age children. To create budgets for additional family types: For an additional infant, increase the total budget by 19 percent; for an additional 4-year-old, by 16 percent; and for a school-age child, by 7 percent.

Sources: BLS, 2017—Consumer Expenditure Surveys; Consumer Reports, 2017—Best Low-Cost Cell-Phone; HUD, 2017—Fair Market Rents; IRS, 2017—SOI Tax Stats; Office of Child Development and Early Learning, 2018; Tax Foundation, 2017, 2018; USDA, 2017—Official USDA Food Plans.

ALICE HOUSEHOLD STABILITY BUDGET

	Single Adult	Married Couple	1 Adult, 1 School-Age Child	1 Adult, 1 Infant	2 Adult, 2 School-Age Children	2 Adults, 1 Infant, 1 Preschooler
Housing	\$1,003	\$1,211	\$1,211	\$1,211	\$1,696	\$1,696
Child Care	\$-	\$-	\$403	\$1,297	\$806	\$2,371
Food	\$381	\$775	\$680	\$530	\$1,368	\$1,184
Transportation	\$605	\$725	\$725	\$725	\$1,209	\$1,209
Health Care	\$160	\$298	\$298	\$318	\$801	\$801
Miscellaneous	\$226	\$314	\$343	\$419	\$601	\$739
Savings	\$226	\$314	\$343	\$419	\$601	\$739
Technology	\$109	\$129	\$109	\$109	\$129	\$129
Taxes	\$665	\$795	\$722	\$949	\$1,809	\$2,625
Monthly Total	\$3,375	\$4,561	\$4,834	\$5,977	\$9,020	\$11,493
Annual Total	\$40,500	\$54,732	\$58,008	\$71,724	\$108,240	\$137,916
Hourly Wage	\$20.25	\$27.37	\$29.00	\$35.86	\$54.12	\$68.96

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Sources: BLS, 2017—Consumer Expenditure Surveys; Consumer Reports, 2017—Best Low-Cost Cell-Phone; HUD, 2017—Fair Market Rents; IRS, 2016—Individual Income; IRS, 2017—SOI Tax Stats; Office of Child Development and Early Learning, 2018; Tax Foundation, 2017, 2018; Telogical Systems, 2016; USDA, 2017—Official USDA Food Plans. Reference: [UnitedForALICE.org](#)

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