

# POVERTY PULSE

Westchester Children's Association has continually pursued the most current data to provide an accurate, relevant assessment of the well-being of Westchester's children. Given how quickly the economy has changed, Westchester Children's Association reached out to our community partners to find out how our children are doing in the here and now.

From the Data Team at  
**WESTCHESTER**  
**children's**  
ASSOCIATION

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## Westchester Child Poverty Rate

2022	2023
10.3%	11.1%

American Community Survey, One Year Estimate

## POVERTY PULSE TIME RANGE: October 2022 - September 2024

### POVERTY PULSE CHART LEGEND

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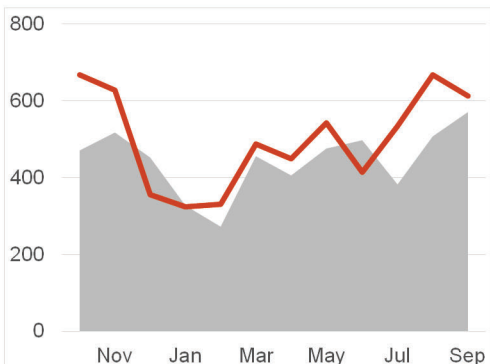
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**THE SHARING SHELF** addresses clothing insecurity and meets the basic material needs of children in Westchester County, bringing dignity and respect, so they can thrive. The Sharing Shelf is committed to the whole child, from birth through age 19 and provide each child with a week's worth of seasonally appropriate clothing and essentials including diapers, hygiene, period products and school supplies.

### Number of Clothing Requests per Month



## JOIN US AS WE WORK TO REDUCE CHILD POVERTY BY 50% BY 2032!

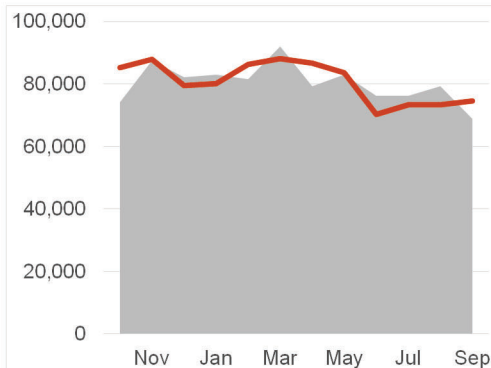
**WHAT WE SEE** In 2024, even organizations experiencing declines in demand in earlier months are showing evidence of rising demand for essential need assistance as compared to the same time period in 2023.

## ADVOCATE

- \* Expand the Empire Child Tax Credit
- \* Fund Universal School Meals
- \* Provide Housing Vouchers and other Child Poverty Reduction Advisory Council (CPRAC) recommendations

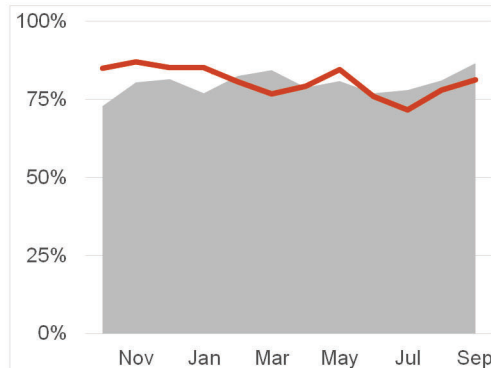
**FEEDING WESTCHESTER** serves the county with a mission "to nourish our neighbors in the fight against hunger". Their Child Feeding program partners with schools, libraries, and daycare centers to provide nutritious meals to an average of 80,000 children each month.

### Child (Ages 0-17) Visits, at Feeding Westchester Food Pantries



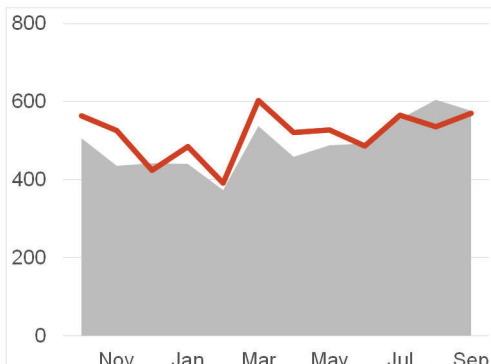
**WESTHAB** oversees family shelters, transitional housing, supportive housing and affordable housing.

### Family Shelter Occupancy Rates By Month



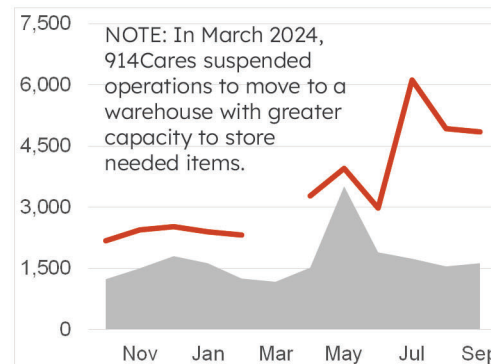
**UNITED WAY OF WESTCHESTER & PUTNAM's** 211 Helpline offers health and human services information, referral, assessment, and crisis support to help callers find the assistance they need to address the everyday challenges of living.

### Number of 211 Calls Requesting Essential Need Assistance



**914CARES** ensures that all Westchester families in need are provided with basic essentials to lead every day with confidence and dignity. The organization partners with 125+ community partners across Westchester county to distribute quality clothing, diapers, hygiene kits, period supplies, and books to those who need them most.

### Number of Babies Receiving Diapers per Month



NOTE: In March 2024, 914Cares suspended operations to move to a warehouse with greater capacity to store needed items.

Thank you to Feeding Westchester, Westhab, The Sharing Shelf, United Way of Westchester & Putnam, and 914Cares for their cooperation and collaboration with this project.

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