

YOUR COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

OUR
MISSION

Promoting philanthropy to advance the well-being of our communities forever.

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VISION

Thriving Philanthropy, Thriving Communities

OUR
GOAL

To achieve meaningful impact in our region, which includes Mercer County and surrounding communities.

Achievements

1991: created
with \$300,000

Now: more than
\$120 million in assets

340 funds

Last year's grants:
\$16 million

**SINCE 1991:
\$75 MILLION
IN GRANTS**

Our Plan:

- Focus 75% of our Greater Mercer Grants program on children and adolescents living in poverty, beginning in 2017
- Promote and support strong non-profit organizations
- Support philanthropists
- Increase the impact of the Fund for Women and Girls
- Grow our charitable assets so we continue to build strong communities in our region

Our Strategies:

- Grantmaking
- Convening and research
- Philanthropic education and seminars
- Stewardship and cultivation
- Fund for Women and Girls membership engagement

COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT

1 out of 6 Mercer County children live in poverty²

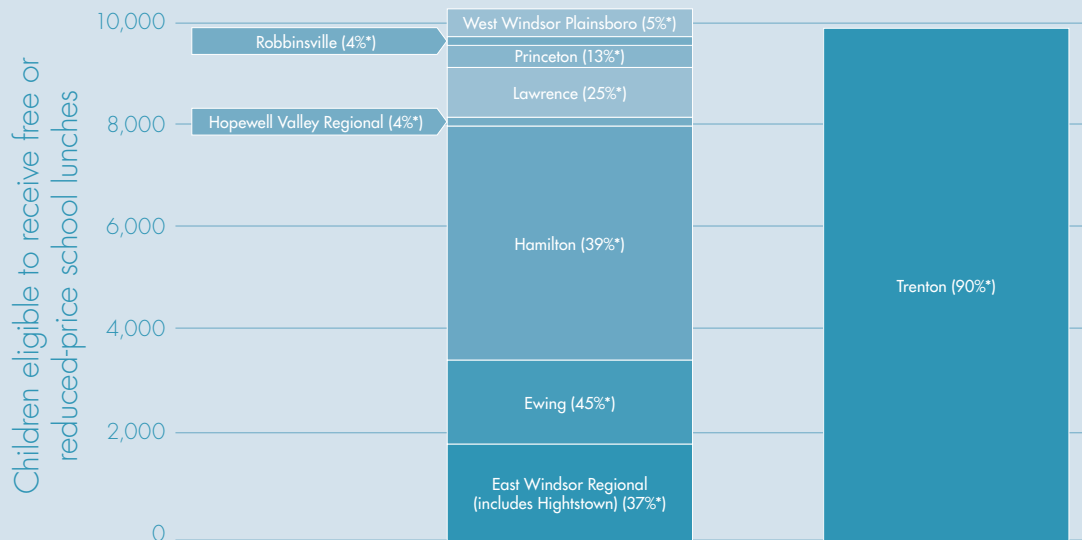


Suburban - 10,300 Children¹

*Percent of eligible children in each district

Urban - 9,900 Children¹

*Percent of eligible children in each district



Statistics

More than 20,000 children were eligible to receive free or reduced-price school lunches in 2015-16¹

More than 15,000 children received NJ SNAP (formerly called food stamps) in 2015²

NJ Counties	Child Well-being Rankings ²
Hunterdon	2
Somerset	3
Middlesex	5
Mercer	14

Mercer County ranks 14th out of NJ's 21 counties² for child well-being, and:

- 16/21: ranking for mothers who receive early prenatal care
- 14/21: ranking of births to girls ages 10-19
- 19/21: ranking for infant mortality
- 14/21: ranking for child abuse/neglect investigations
- 17/21: ranking for juvenile arrests