

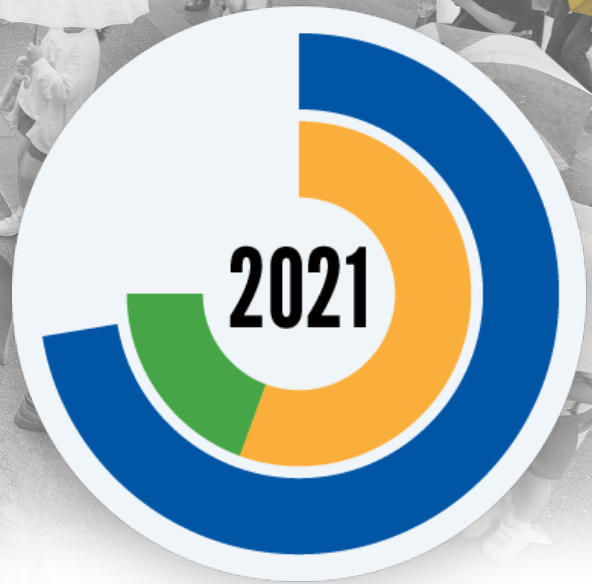
ALICE STILL IN THE CROSSCURRENTS

One Step Forward, Two Steps Back

In Escambia and Santa Rosa counties, 42.2% of households lived paycheck to paycheck in 2022. This included nearly 28,000 in poverty and another 50,000 who were **ALICE** – **A**sset **L**imited, **I**ncome **C**onstrained, **E**mployed – earning above poverty but less than the cost of basics.

While wages grew, three other factors – inflation, loss of pandemic supports, and a decade of falling behind – combined to keep ALICE trapped.

-  **Employment Income**
-  **Basic Expenses**
-  **Pandemic Support**



In 2022, a family of four* saw the loss of up to \$15,000 in tax credits and supports that they could access in 2021

*With two adults, an infant and a preschooler



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