



Will County Statistics

**A family of four with a household income of more than \$41,000 would be ineligible for any public benefits.

Poverty – *U.S. Census Bureau*

- 57,514 or 8.5% of residents are living in poverty
- 21,147 or 11.5% of children are living in poverty

Unemployment (December 2014) – *Illinois Department of Employment Security*

- 20,154 or 5.5 % of residents are currently unemployed

SNAP Monthly Participation – (Individuals) – *Illinois Department of Human Services*

2010: 49,513 **2011:** 53,773 **2012:** 57,046 **2013:**69,190 **2014:** 69,343

Food Insecurity – *USDA and Feeding America*

- 66,380 or 9.8% of residents are at risk of hunger
 - Nearly 32,526 are ineligible for public benefits
- 33,270 or 17.0% of children are at risk of hunger
 - Nearly 15,637 of these children are not eligible for free/reduced price lunch because their family income is too high

Free/Reduced Price Lunch Eligibility – *Illinois State Board of Education*

- 40,525 are eligible to receive free or reduced price lunch with the National School Lunch Program

Self-Sufficiency Standard – *Heartland Alliance Social Impact Research Center*

- As of 2013, an adult with one preschooler and one school-age child needs to earn **\$74,081** to make ends meet. Out of the 108 places in the state for which the Standard is calculated, 17 have a higher Self-Sufficiency Wage

Housing – *National Low Income Housing Coalition*

- Fair Market Rent (FMR) on a two bedroom apartment in Will County: \$979
- The mean renter in Will County earns \$9.77/hr and can afford a 2BR rent at \$508
- In order to afford the FMR on a two bedroom, one would need to make \$18.83/hr
- A minimum wage renter would need to work 91 hours per week to afford FMR on a two bedroom apartment

Will County Food Partners

A Vito Martinez Middle School (Romeoville)
A. O. Marshall (Joliet)
Bethesda Home-Plainfield (Plainfield)
Beverly Skoff Elementary (Romeoville)
BJ Ward Elementary (Bolingbrook)
Blessing Bench Pantry (Joliet)
Bolingbrook 7th Day Adventist FP(Bolingbrook)
Bolingbrook High School (Bolingbrook)
Brooks Middle School (Bolingbrook)
Brooks STEP Campus (Bolingbrook)
CFM Lamb's Fold Women's Center (Joliet)
Christ Temple Food Pantry (Joliet)
Christ's Mission Church (Manhattan)
Community Care Center (Braidwood)
Creekside Elementary (Plainfield)
Crossroads Comm Church Pantry (New Lenox)
Daybreak Shepherd's Table (Joliet)
Dupage Township (Bolingbrook), (Romeoville)
Fairmont Food Pantry (Lockport)
Family Outreach Program Inc (Crest Hill)
Fellowship Bible (Joliet)
First Baptist Church (Bolingbrook)
Friendship Center at Highpoint (Romeoville)
George Werden Boys and Girls Club (Joliet)
Glory Tabernacle Church (Joliet)
Good Shepherd Pantry (Romeoville)
Greater Bible Way Apostolic (Joliet)
Green Harvest Food Pantry (Plainfield)
Guardian Angel Comm Services (Joliet)
Hartman Recreation Center (Joliet)
Helping Hands (Peotone)
Hubert H. Humphrey (Bolingbrook)
Independence Elementary (Bolingbrook)
Indian Trail Middle School (Plainfield)
Irene King Elementary (Romeoville)
Isaac Singleton Elementary (Joliet)
Jane Addams Middle School (Bolingbrook)
John R. Tibbott (Bolingbrook)
Joliet Park District (Joliet)
Jonas Salk Elementary (Bolingbrook)
Kuzma Care Cottage (Wilmington)
Laraway Elementary (Joliet)
Lebanon Dist. Laymen Ministry (Joliet)
Life Line Food Pantry (Joliet)
Life Spring Community Church (Plainfield)
Lively Hope Church of God (Joliet)
Living Manna Food Ministry (Channahon)
Lockport Fish Food Pantry (Lockport)
Lockport Women's Club (Lockport)
Lukancic Middle School (Romeoville)
Marycrest Village Apartments (Joliet)
Morningstar Mission (Joliet)
Mt Zion Lift Him up Ministries (Joliet)
New Life Church - New Lenox (New Lenox)
New Song - Seeds Of Hope (Bolingbrook)
New Testament Fellowship (Joliet)
Peace Community Church (Frankfort)
Pilgrimage Protestant (University Park)
Plainfield Area Interfaith FP (Plainfield)
Plainfield North High School (Plainfield)
R.C. Hill Elementary (Romeoville)
Restoration Christian Church (Shorewood)
Ridgewood United Comm Pantry (Joliet)
Romeoville High School (Romeoville)
Sacred Heart-Family Table Soup Kitchen (Joliet)
Salvation Army (Joliet)
Second Baptist Blessing Table (Joliet)
Second Baptist Food Pantry (Joliet)
Soul Food Pantry (Joliet)
Spanish Community Center (Joliet)
St John Lutheran Church (Joliet)
St John the Baptist Food Pantry (Joliet)
St. Patrick's Food Pantry (Joliet)
Trinity Services (Joliet)
True Tabernacle Christian (Joliet)
United Cerebral Palsy (Joliet)
Warren Sharpe Community Center (Joliet)
Washington School (Joliet)
We Care Of Romeoville (Romeoville)
Will County Baptist Temple (Joliet)
Will County Center-Community Concerns (Joliet)

In Will County we distributed 8,705,000 pounds of food in FY 14, the equivalent of 7,254,000 meals