All of the local governments and communities in Northeast Florida are caring and making efforts to help their poorest residents. The Northeast Florida Regional Council is gathering from each of our local governments the strategy of which they are the most proud. This can address any of the components that make up the household survival budget: housing, child care, food, transportation, health care, taxes, or “miscellaneous”. We are doing this for several reasons. First, we want to share best practices. Second, we want to measure success on the local level region-wide from the broadest possible perspective, so we can add regional initiatives that enhance the good work already being done. Ultimately, we hope to convene as a region around the challenge of helping every household in Northeast Florida to thrive. This needs to inform our economic development planning and the Strategic Regional Policy Plan, and be integral to each action the Council takes. Please help us by taking this survey by June 15, 2018. Do not worry if you do not know the answer to any question, just answer what you can. Only the final question is required. Should you have any questions, please contact Margo Moehring, Policy Director at 904 270 0880 x 161 ormmoehring@norfco.org.

Thank you for taking the survey!

1. The United Way’s ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) Report allows communities to quantify the costs of a basic household survival budget, and consider approaches to address poverty that go beyond the number and availability of affordable housing units. Does your community use the metrics of ALICE in your community conversations about poverty?

   [ ] Yes
   [ ] No

2. What initiative to address poverty in your jurisdiction is your community most proud of?

   

3. Why do you think the initiative you chose is working well?

   

4. ALICE considers the following factors when calculating a household’s survival budget. Which do you believe your local initiative addresses (check as many as you like)?

   [ ] Housing
   [ ] Transportation
   [ ] Child Care
   [ ] Health Care
   [ ] Food
   [ ] Taxes
   [ ] Miscellaneous (please specify)
5. Does your jurisdiction keep metrics on affordable housing?
   - [ ] Yes
   - [ ] No
   - [ ] Not exactly, but here is what we do track......

6. How does your jurisdiction define affordable housing?

7. How many units are in your jurisdiction that meet your definition of affordable housing?

8. How many units that meet your definition of affordable are available?

* 9. What jurisdiction do you represent?