

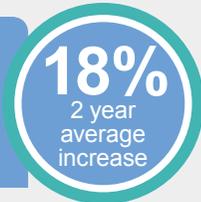


The DHR Family Investment Administration provides assistance to low-income families so that they can cover basic needs such as food, shelter and clothing while preparing them for independence through work.

More people returning to work.

Job creation plays an important role in lifting families out of poverty.

DHR placed a **record**
24,600 welfare recipients in
jobs since September 2011.



The starting wage for approximately **37%** of
the jobs was **\$10 per hour** or higher.



Welfare rolls are shrinking. As the economy improves, the number of individuals seeking temporary cash assistance (TCA) has decreased.

In September 2013, there were
8,942 TCA recipients who
were work eligible. This is a
11% decrease from September
2012, when 10,085 such TCA
recipients received benefits.

11%

TCA
recipients

Maryland has seen a
25% reduction since
December 2010 when
this caseload reached its
highest level.

The overall caseload
decreased **13%** —
from a peak of 29,637 in
December 2010 to 25,752
in October 2013.



180,000 fewer children go hungry.

Governor O'Malley set a goal of eliminating childhood hunger by 2015. Since 2007:

We've increased **Food
Supplement Program**
enrollment from approximately
146,500 low-income families to
more than 400,000.



The total number of children
served grew from 148,352
to 329,340.

Overall, **94%** of families
with children who are
eligible for food stamps in
Maryland receive them.

Improved customer service.

DHR is helping families get assistance faster while improving our accuracy.

**Applications for social safety net
services for 900,000** Marylanders
-- including food, health care and cash
assistance -- were processed on time.

96%

On
Time

Maryland's food stamp
accuracy rate is the most
improved in the nation (80%
decrease since 2010).

