

Illinois Senate District 38

A fundamental tenet of society is that everyone—no matter how fortunate or what challenges they have—deserves opportunity and the chance to thrive. But, Illinois has steadily eroded the community institutions and programs that help ensure all people in District 38 can thrive. Instead of community members bearing the brunt of Illinois's budget crisis, it is time to start looking to real solutions.

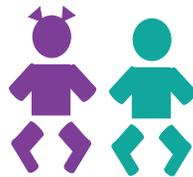
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In District 38:



13,136 people are grappling with substance use. Treatment and prevention programs give many in District 38 an important way to address their health needs.



13,453 children are under the age of 5, critical years that help set life-long trajectories. Early childhood education enhances the prospects of young children in District 38.



1,803 seniors are poor, living on fixed incomes and making trade-offs to get by. In-home service and other senior programs help many District 38 seniors stay safely in their homes longer.



11,001 people are unemployed, looking for work, and trying to figure out how to get by in the meantime. Training programs and other supports help shorten unemployment spells in District 38.



2,250 poor youth, 12 to 17, are more at risk than non-poor youth for struggling now and into the future. Afterschool and youth summer jobs brighten the prospects of youth in District 38.



23,116 people have a disability, representing a range of assistive needs. Home services and developmental disability services enhance the ability of people with disabilities in District 38 to fully participate in their community.



5,513 people have a serious mental illness, needing supports to lead thriving lives. Mental health services give many people in District 38 the stabilizing treatment they need to maintain housing and function in their communities.



3,416 families with children are poor, 2,216 of them headed by single moms who are particularly vulnerable to economic hardship, with a 38% poverty rate. Childcare assistance increases the likelihood that low-income District 38 parents can work.



3,883 renters pay over half their income on rent, leaving too little for other basics. Homeless prevention programs and affordable housing draw these District 38 households back from the brink of homelessness.



10,128 immigrants contribute to the fabric of community life, but barriers often stand in the way of their flourishing. Language assistance and citizenship application assistance make it so that District 38 immigrants are more able to integrate and contribute to the economy.



13,919 people are survivors of domestic violence, and 9,997 are survivors of sexual violence, all in varying stages of recovery from trauma. Shelters, therapy, and other services ensure survivors in District 38 can leave or get help they need to recover.



15,448 veterans have served our country, many needing some supports to re-integrate into civilian life. Community-based services like mental health and supportive housing help us serve District 38 veterans as they have served us.

FIND REAL SOLUTIONS. STOP CUTS TO YOUR COMMUNITY.

Nonprofit organizations are the cornerstones of neighborhoods throughout District 38, and they carry out much of the work to create strong and stable communities in the District. Their work helps address or prevent problems now to save the state money in the long run. State budget cuts not only result in these organizations working with fewer District 38 constituents, but they have to lay off employees, which increases unemployment in Illinois, and they spend less money in the Illinois economy. There are over 40 nonprofit human service organization office locations in District 38, many of which are being crippled from doing their work by the State's failure to implement sustainable solutions.*

ADV & SAS: A Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Service	American Lutheran Church Mendota Lutheran Home	Business Employment Skills Team Inc
Catholic Charities Diocese Of Joliet	Community Food Basket	Community Nutrition Network
Dickson Valley Ministries	DUI Counseling Center Of Kendall County	Easter Seals Of Lasalle And Bureau Counties
Epworth Village Inc	Equine Dreams	Grundy Development Corporation
Habitat For Humanity International Inc	Health Center Of Eastern La Salle County	Horizon House Of Illinois Valley Inc
Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault	Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault	Illinois Valley Center For Independent Living
Illinois Valley Food Pantry	Illinois Valley Industries Inc	Illinois Valley YMCA
La Salle County Easter Seal Society Inc	Lasalle County Children's Advocacy Center	Lutheran Home And Services For The Aged Inc
Lutheran Social Services Of Illinois	Mendota Area Senior Services Inc	Mendota Child Development Center Inc
Newark Senior Center	North Central Behavioral Health Systems Inc	Ottawa Friendship House Work Activity Center Inc
Planned Parenthood Of Illinois	Pleasant View Luther Home Inc	Prairie State Legal Services
Streator Child Development Center	Streator Unlimited Inc	Streator Young Mens-Womens Christian Association
The Center For Youth And Family Solutions	Under His Wings Inc	We Care Of Grundy County Inc
YMCA Of Ottawa Illinois		

**this list is not exhaustive; organizations listed multiple times indicate different office locations in the district.*

Data Sources and Notes

All estimates are from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2009-2013 American Community Survey (ACS) 5-year estimates program. Since data on certain topics are not available at the district level, several of these estimates use the ACS for base population numbers with a prevalence rate from other research applied to it. For estimates of sexual violence, a 12-month prevalence rate from the National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey was applied to the 18+ population in the district. For estimates of domestic violence, 12-month prevalence rates from the National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey were applied to the 18+ population in the district based on sex. The prevalence rates reflect rape, other sexual violence, physical violence and stalking experienced by women, and all of the same categories for men except rape. For estimates of substance abuse and mental health, Illinois's 12-month prevalence rates from the National Survey on Drug Use and Health were applied to the 18+ population in the district.

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