

The State



of **New York's**  
**Children**

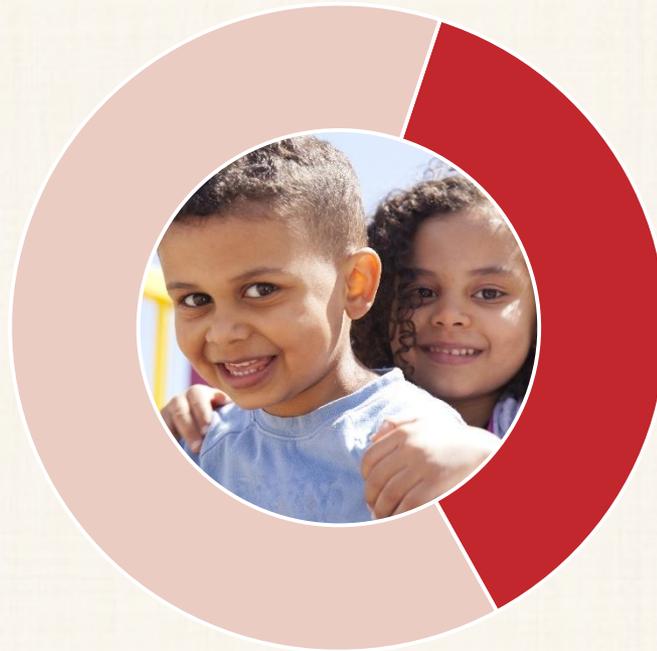
 **oting for Children**  
*Because Our Future Depends on It*

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# More than one-third of NY children reside in immigrant families

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**37%**

children in  
immigrant families

Children in immigrant families: **1,536,000**

Total NYS children: **4,180,559**



# NY successes to build upon

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97% of children insured



\$15 minimum wage



Paid Family Leave



Universal Pre-K in NYC



First 1,000 Days on Medicaid



# What our children need

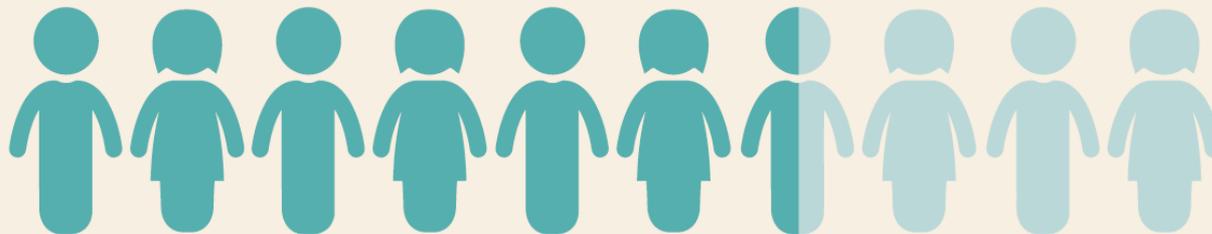
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- Strong and economically stable families
- Healthy bodies and minds
- Safe homes and communities
- A sound education



# Unmet goal: Family economic security

**65%** (606,435) of children in poor families have at least one parent who is employed.





# NY has the resources to improve child well-being

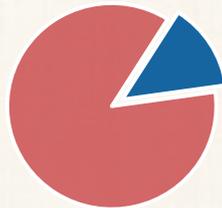
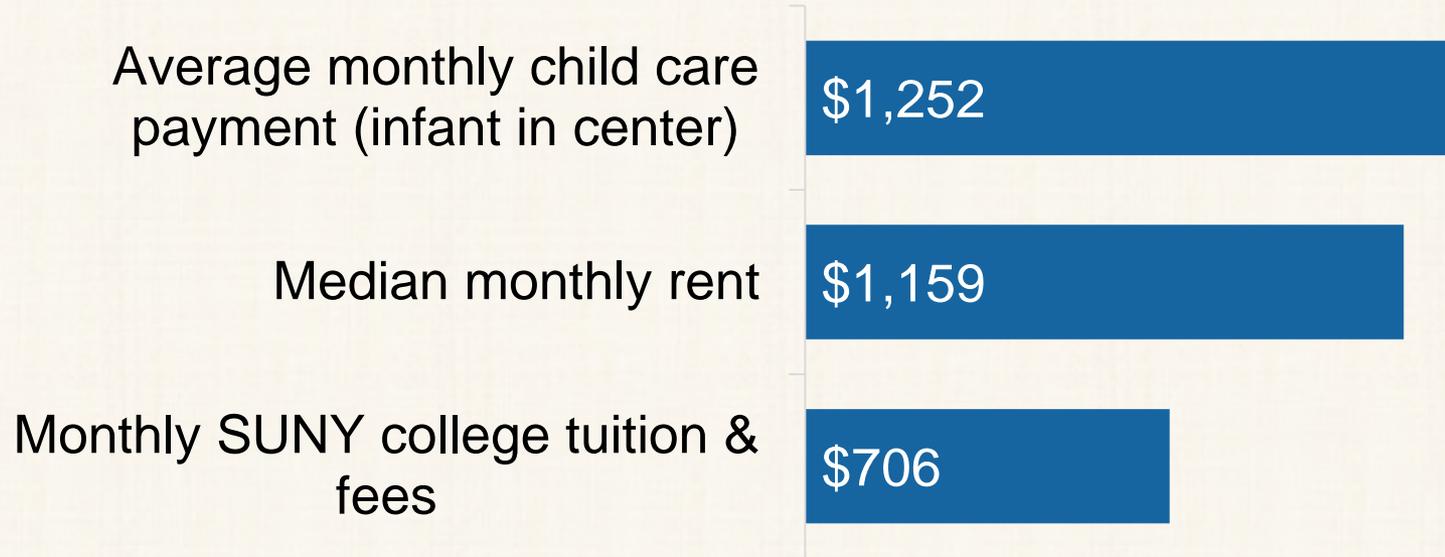
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# Unmet goal: Access to quality child care for all NY families that need it

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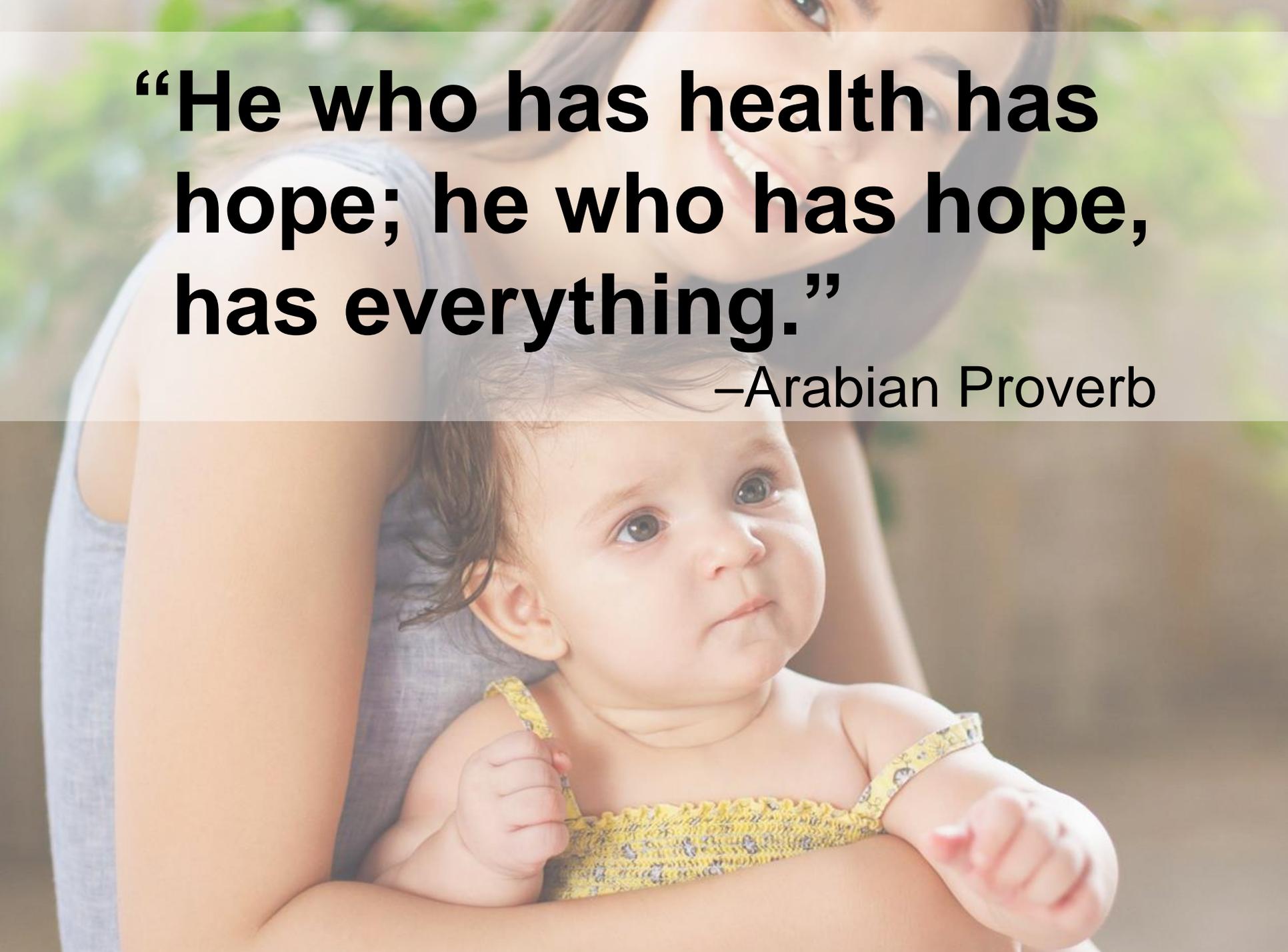


Fewer than **20%** of families earning 200% of poverty or less receive subsidy



# Solutions



A photograph of a woman with dark hair, smiling warmly, holding a baby. The woman is wearing a light blue sleeveless top. The baby is wearing a yellow and blue patterned top and is looking off to the side. The background is a soft-focus outdoor setting with green foliage.

**“He who has health has hope; he who has hope, has everything.”**

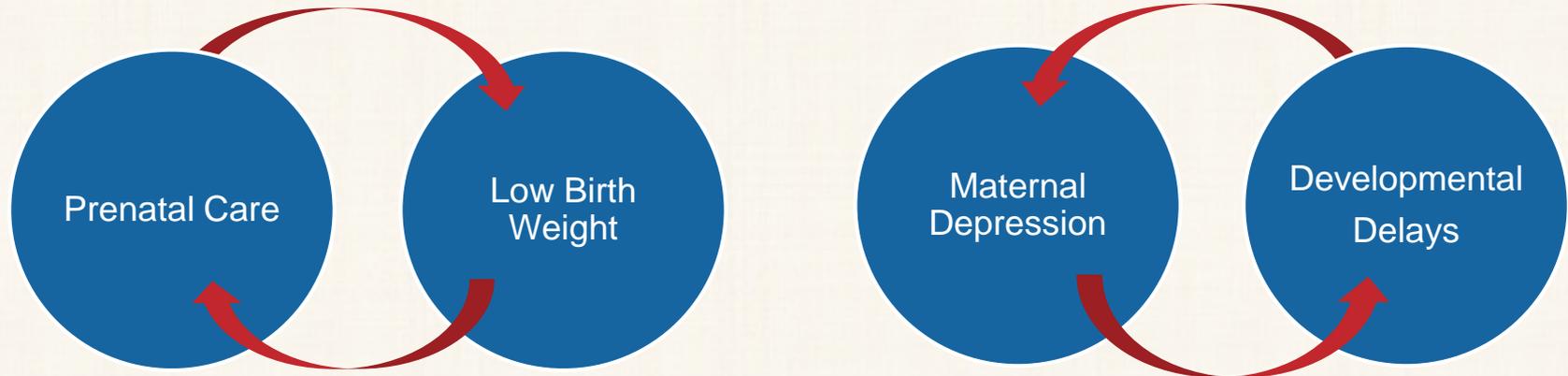
–Arabian Proverb



# Child and family health is intertwined

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- Two generational
- Includes behavioral health and dental health





# Social determinants of health





# Unmet goal: Preventive health care for all children and families

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# Solutions



Protect and expand access to coverage

Improve screening, referral and treatment

Think outside health care system

Build data and information systems



“Let us reach out to the children. Let us do whatever we can to support their fight to rise above their pain and suffering.” – Nelson Mandela



# Stable, supportive families are key to children's health & well-being

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Toxic stress is prevalent among NY's children.

**45.3%** of NYS children have one or more Adverse Childhood Experience.



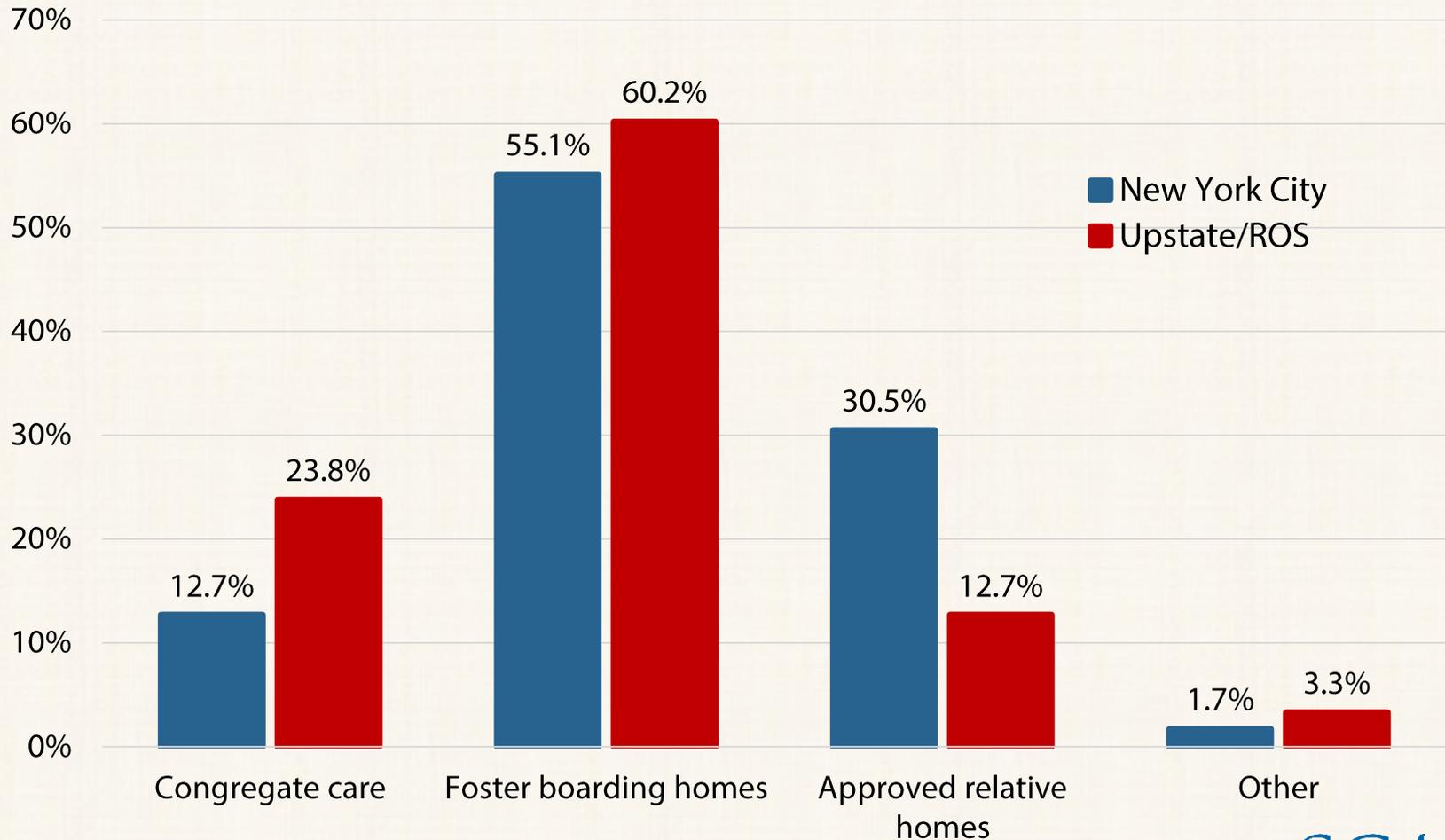
**38.3%** children ages 0 to 5

- Each year, there are about **70,000 children** in indicated reports of abuse/neglect.
- More than 16,000 NY children are in foster care



# Goal: All children grow up in safe, stable & supportive homes

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# Solutions



Programs that strengthen families

Services to prevent abuse & neglect, support children

Investments supporting high-quality foster parenting

Increased support for kinship placements

Let's make sure  
no NY children  
are left out in  
the cold

