



**SUPPORT PASSAGE OF
HOUSE BILL 529
TO STRENGTHEN
EMERGENCY AID TO THE
ELDERLY, DISABLED
AND CHILDREN (EAEDC)**

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A Closer Look at the People Participating in the EAEDC Program
(Based on data received in September and October 2015 from the Department of Transitional Assistance)

EAEDC PARTICIPANT CATEGORIES

CATERGORIES	NUMBERS
Elderly	9,133
Disabled	11,069
Children	928
GRAND TOTAL	21,120

LIVING SITUATION OF EAEDC PARTICIPANTS

- The majority of EAEDC participants live in private housing - **14,914**.
- Approximately **4, 630** participants are in public or subsidized housing.
- About **749 experience homelessness** and receive only \$92/month with the shelter reduction, and the average age is about 43 years old.
- Approximately **820** live in residential care facilities.

RACIAL DESCRIPTION OF EAEDC PARTICIPANTS:

Racial Description	Count
American Indian or Alaska Native	77
Asian/Pacific Islander	3,010
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	33
Black not Hispanic	791
Black or African American	3,134
Hispanic	999
White	5,744
White not Hispanic	2,192
Other	56
No Answer/Not Available	5,084
TOTAL	21,120

TRANSFER FROM EAEDC TO SSI OR SSDI: In the past fiscal year 2015 about 1,908 EAEDC participants transferred to SSI (Supplemental Security Income) and 869 to RSDI (Retirement Survivors Disability Insurance) with a total of 2,777 transfers.

REIMBURSEMENT: In Fiscal Year 2015 (From July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015) the Social Security Administration reimbursed the Commonwealth's General fund with \$9,579,953.74 for what Massachusetts paid out in EAEDC benefits.

11 CITIES WITH MORE THAN 100 EAEDC PARTICIPANTS:

CITY	Estimated Number of Individuals
Boston	3338
Springfield	1265
Worcester	928
Brockton	948
New Bedford	887
Lawrence	824
Fall River	641
Lynn	566
Lowell	510
Quincy	395
Haverhill	202

TOP 10 TOWNS WITH MORE THAN 50 EAEDC PARTICIPANTS:

TOWN	Estimated Number of Individuals
Randolph	222
Framingham	175
Lexington	147
Acton	130
Arlington	129
Andover	109
Hyannis	102
Southbridge	86
Norton	82
Weymouth	100
Stoughton	82

Here is the link to a special infogram on the Real Value of EAEDC benefits overtime:
<https://infograph.venngage.com/p/53700/eaedc-80s>

Please call or e-mail Sister Linda Bessom SND (781-595-7570 x 18, linda@mahomeless.org) if you would like to know the number of EAEDC participants in your area - zip code/s; more information.