



SUPPORT PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL 2077/SENATE BILL 2039 TO STRENGTHEN EMERGENCY AID TO THE ELDERLY, DISABLED AND CHILDREN (EAEDC)

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A Closer Look at the People Participating in the Emergency Aid to the Elderly, Disabled, and Children Program

(Based on information received from Executive Office of Health & Human Services - May 2017)

EAEDC Participant Categories	
Categories (Non-Exclusive)	Number of Participants
Elders	9,900
People with disabilities	9,897
Children and youth	501
Total (Deduplicated)	19,106
Living Situation	Number of Participants
Residential care facility	839
Subsidized housing	3709
Market rate, private housing	13,497
Experiencing homelessness, and receiving reduced benefit of \$92.80/month	~600

Massachusetts General Fund Reimbursement from the Social Security Administration

Every year, many EAEDC participants transition onto the federal SSI (Supplemental Security Income program (SSI) and Supplemental Security Disability Insurance (SSDI). The Social Security Administration reimburses the state for what it paid out in EAEDC benefits to those participants while they were awaiting federal benefits.

- In FY2016, the General Fund received **\$4,928,390.68** for **2,810 EAEDC participants** who transferred onto SSI/SSDI.
- The average General Fund federal reimbursement per person was **\$1,753.88**.

**Towns/Cities with More than 100 EAEDC Participants
(As of March 2017; Cities with more than 1,000 participants in bold)**

City/Town	Estimated Number of EAEDC Participants	City/Town	Estimated Number of EAEDC Participants
Acton	128	Lowell	528
Andover	103	Lynn	624
Arlington	136	Malden	412
Attleboro	115	Medford	171
Boston	3,453	Methuen	153
Brockton	924	New Bedford	415
Cambridge	298	Norton	128
Chelsea	209	Peabody	130
Chicopee	158	Quincy	426
Everett	270	Randolph	233
Fall River	578	Revere	287
Fitchburg	177	Salem	225
Framingham	171	Somerville	261
Haverhill	188	Springfield	1,224
Holyoke	283	Taunton	279
Lawrence	762	Waltham	139
Lexington	161	Worcester	984

EAEDC Participants' Racial Backgrounds		
Race	Ethnicity	Totals
American Indian or Alaska Native	Hispanic/Latino	9
	Non-Hispanic/Latino	18
	Not available	30
Asian	Hispanic/Latino	17
	Non-Hispanic/Latino	1803
	Not available	1,056
Black or African American	Hispanic/Latino	111
	Non-Hispanic/Latino	2,791
	Not Available	583
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Hispanic/Latino	8
	Non-Hispanic/Latino	11
	Not Available	9
Not Available	Hispanic/Latino	3,406
	Non-Hispanic/Latino	779
	Not Available	1,662
White	Hispanic/Latino	503
	Non-Hispanic/Latino	5,268
	Not Available	1022

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