

## Food Insecurity in Montgomery County, MD

- The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) <u>defines food insecurity as a lack</u> of consistent access to enough food for an active, healthy life
- Food insecurity refers to a lack of available financial resources for food at the household level
- Approximately 9% of Montgomery County experiences Food Insecurity
- Over 9% in children
- The US faced an unprecedented formula shortage this past year for infants and still has not fully recovered
- Children and specifically of minorities are usually most affected
- Translates to over 87,000 people in MoCo
- Food Assistance Programs are the main method to combat Food Insecurity
- It is our responsibility to help to fix this problem