

# NJ Council on DD Contracting Policies

## Poverty Area Criteria

Contracts that serve a population located primarily in one of the following areas of NJ are considered to be operating in a poverty area. As a result, the match requirement would be 10% if the majority of activity occurs within the designated geographic area. If activity occurs across several geographic areas and one or more are not poverty areas, then the match requirement will be 25%.

### Poverty Areas By County <sup>1</sup>

State and County	Percentage of All Ages “In Poverty” by Federal Standards	Estimate of Median Household Income
New Jersey	8.9	56,356
<b>Atlantic County</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>43,153</b>
Bergen County	6.1	63,982
Burlington County	5.8	61,420
<b>Camden County</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>47,558</b>
Cape May County	9.6	42,029
<b>Cumberland County</b>	<b>14.9</b>	<b>37,909</b>
<b>Essex County</b>	<b>14.4</b>	<b>42,705</b>
Gloucester County	6.7	56,979
<b>Hudson County</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>38,781</b>
Hunterdon County	3.5	84,016
Mercer County	8.1	55,555
Middlesex County	7.4	59,352
Monmouth County	6.5	68,813
Morris County	4.2	79,977
Ocean County	8.1	48,253
<b>Passaic County</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>46,093</b>
Salem County	9.3	46,894
Somerset County	4.7	77,988
Sussex County	4.8	69,270
Union County	9.9	53,919
Warren County	6.1	58,939
<b>Average Across Counties</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>56,361</b>

Based on > 10% ages in poverty and < \$50,000 median income

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<sup>1</sup> based on information from US Census Bureau and US Dept. of Health and Human Services

## Percentage of People Below Poverty Level in Past 12 Months

[by Place and County Subdivision] <sup>2</sup>

PLACE AND COUNTY SUBDIVISION		
Brick township, Ocean County	4.5	+/-1.4
<b>Camden city</b>	<b>44.0</b>	<b>+/-5.4</b>
Cherry Hill township, Camden County	5.1	+/-1.8
Clifton city	8.8	+/-2.9
Dover township, Ocean County	4.1	+/-1.4
<b>East Orange city</b>	<b>25.4</b>	<b>+/-6.7</b>
Edison township, Middlesex County	4.4	+/-1.8
Edison CDP	4.4	+/-1.8
Elizabeth <i>city</i>	19.7	+/-5.0
Gloucester township, Camden County	6.0	+/-2.4
Hamilton township, Mercer County	3.8	+/-2.1
Irvington CDP	17.8	+/-5.4
Jersey City <i>city</i>	18.4	+/-2.8
<b>Lakewood township, Ocean County **</b>	<b>21.1</b>	<b>+/-4.5</b>
Middletown township, Monmouth County	4.1	+/-1.9
<b>Newark city</b>	<b>24.8</b>	<b>+/-3.1</b>
<b>Passaic city</b>	<b>27.3</b>	<b>+/-8.3</b>
<b>Paterson city</b>	<b>24.1</b>	<b>+/-4.2</b>
Toms River CDP	4.1	+/-1.4
<b>Trenton city</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>+/-4.8</b>
<b>Union City city</b>	<b>23.3</b>	<b>+/-6.3</b>
Woodbridge township, Middlesex County	7.4	+/-4.6

Over 20% People Below Poverty Level

\*\* Lakewood Township may be an anomaly statistically – it is well-to-do as a rule.

<sup>2</sup> Areas Covered by 2005 American Community Survey