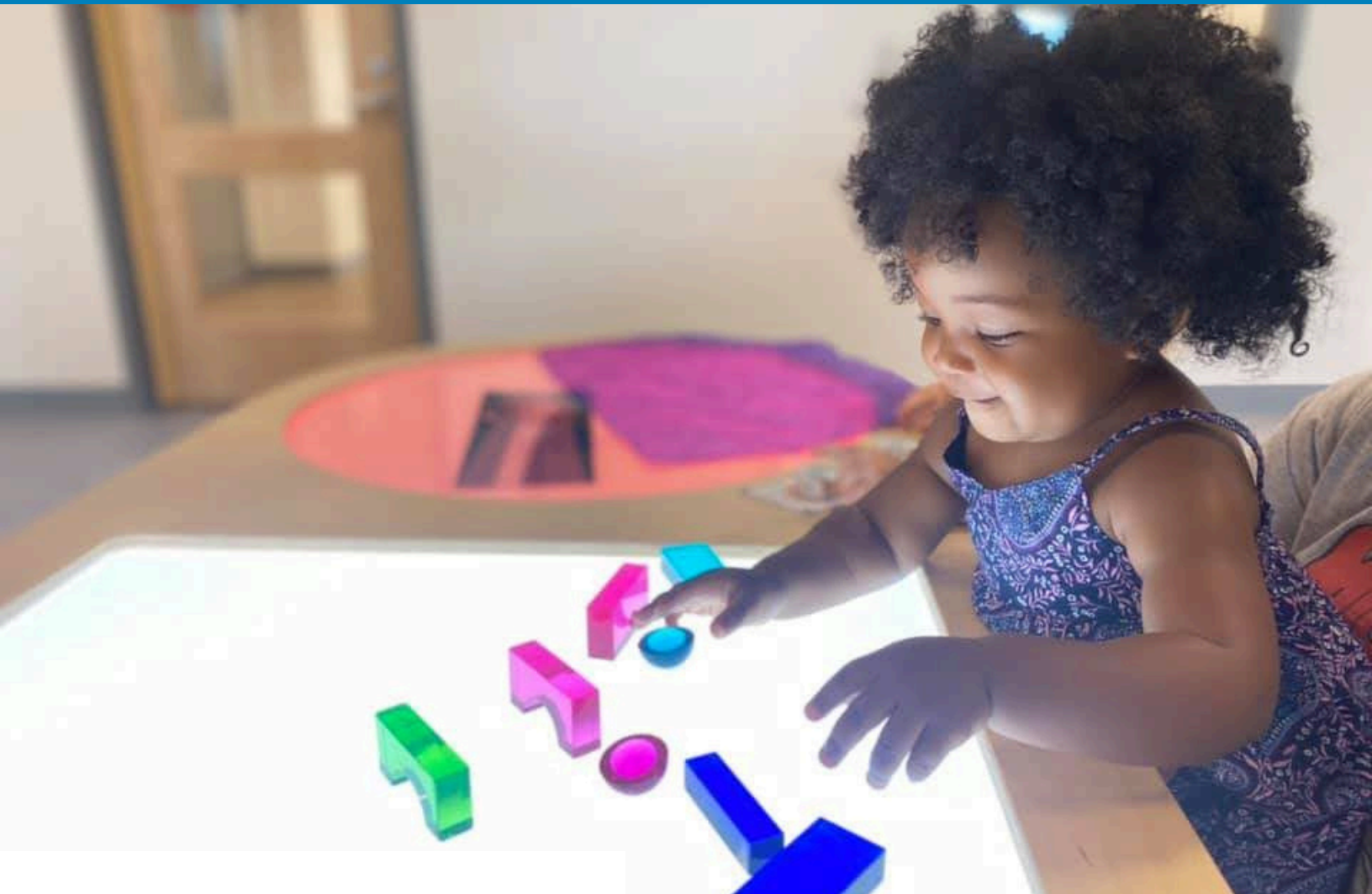


# Childhood Homelessness:

MASSACHUSETTS IN FOCUS



**HORIZONS  
FOR HOMELESS  
CHILDREN<sup>®</sup>**

For 35 years we have worked to improve the lives of young children and their families experiencing homelessness in Massachusetts. We support homeless families exclusively by providing high-quality early education, opportunities for play, and comprehensive family support services.

# FACTS ON FAMILY HOMELESSNESS

HORIZONS' IMPACT IN 2023



**6,000**  
children

under 6 are currently in the Emergency Assistance shelter system across MA.



**\$149,572**

is the required income a single parent with two children would need to make (\$71.91/hr) to support their family according to MIT's living wage calculator for Boston.



**1 in 19**  
children

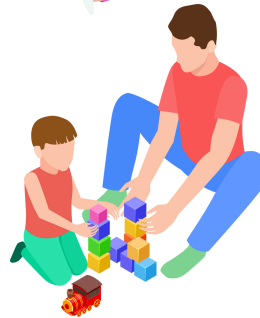
under the age of 6 experience homelessness in MA in a given year, either in shelter or doubled up.

Last year, Horizons for Homeless Children had...



**800**

Playspace Activity Leaders (PALs) volunteer with our Playspace Program



**37,800**

hours spent playing with children experiencing homelessness



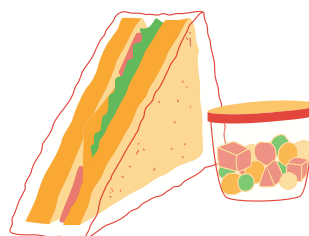
**42**

workshops with parents living in shelters to deepen the parent-child bond



**155**

community activities, such as personal finance workshops and parent breakfasts for enrolled families



**103,000**

hot meals and healthy snacks served to children in our early education center