



Food

\$10,021.00

The average a couple with two children was estimated to spend on food in 2012.

Social Programs that assist with access to food

**40 to 70
individuals**

a week in 2012 were served at the Saturday Night Dinner at **Church of Christ Highland Park**.

**75 to 85
individuals**

are served daily for dinner and **60 -70** individuals are served daily for lunch at the **Salvation Army**.

**159
food hampers**

were administered In March 2013 through the **Grande Prairie Salvation Army Food Bank**.

Day to Day Living

\$31,537.00

the average a couple with 2 children spent on Transportation, Childcare, Health Care, Clothing, Miscellaneous items (household maintenance, personal care items, etc) and a Contingency fund in 2012.

The United Way Emergency Fund was accessed **87** times in 2012, totaling in over **300** individuals and children served.

The reasons for accessing the fund

Rent assistance was accessed **44** times

Utilities assistance was accessed **22** times

Other (food, transportation, prescriptions, back to work) was accessed **21** times

Cool Aid Society After School Program – an average of **980** youth (ages 6-17) that visit the centre monthly.

Low Income Recreation Access (LIRA) – **517** Adults, Children and Seniors received a **\$100.00** credit to put towards any City of Grande Prairie recreation program or facility in 2012.

Seniors Property Tax Rebate – **447** seniors received a **\$100.00** rebate in 2012.

AlSH Transit Pass – an average of **172** free passes for individuals on AlSH supports are administered monthly.

Coats for Kids

2011 – **3897** coats, pants, mitts and toques were administered to local adults and children.

2012 – approximately **4000** coats, pants, mitts and toques were administered to local adults and children.

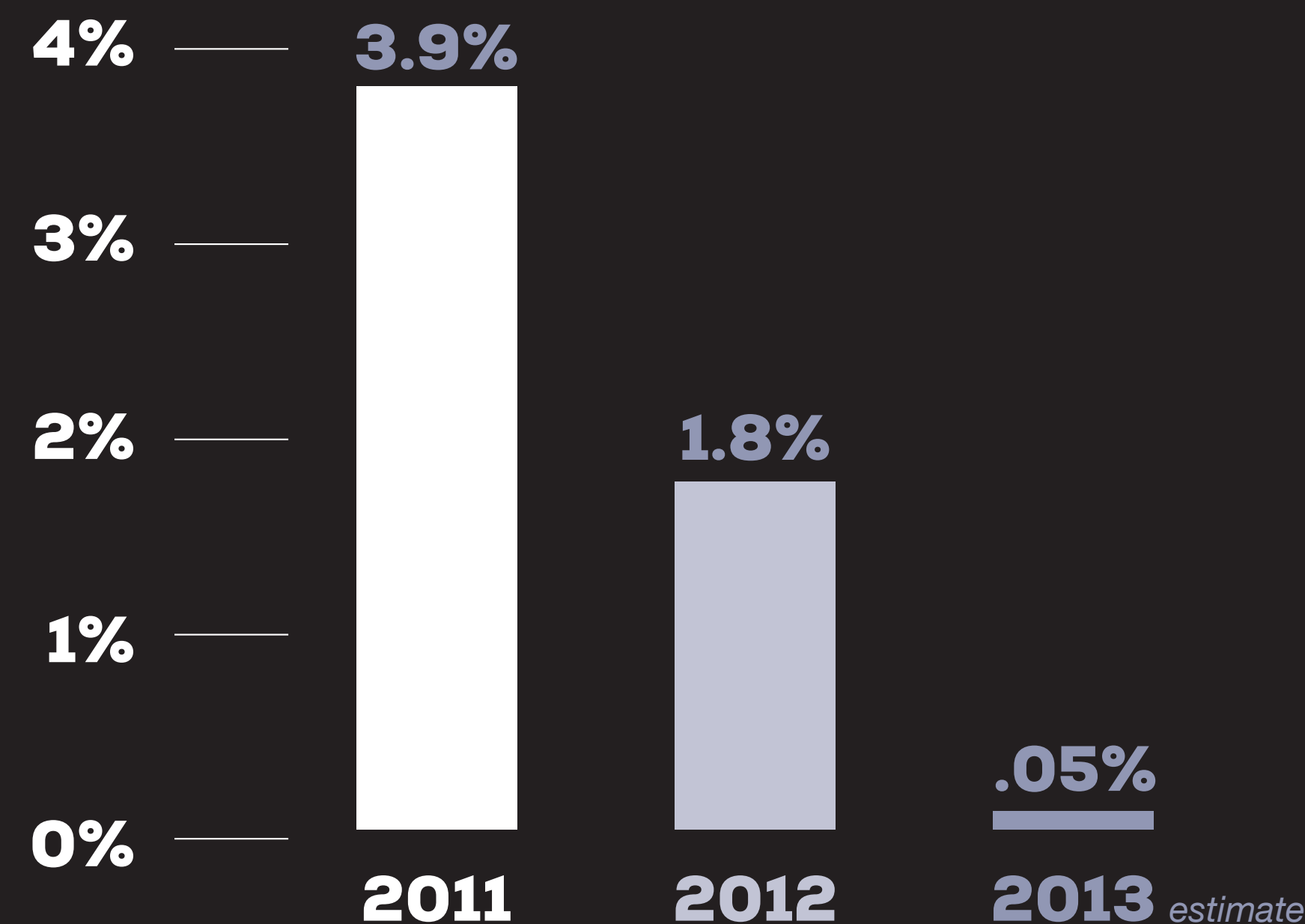


Shelter

\$13,615.00

The average that the Living Wage reports a couple with 2 children spent on Shelter in 2012.

Vacancy Rates



**\$1,200.00 to
\$1,400.00**

The average rental rate for a two bedroom suite in March 2013.
(No adjustments are made for the inclusion or exclusion of amenities and services such as heat, hydro, parking, and water)

\$262,781.00

The average house sale price in Grande Prairie.
(January 2013, Grande Prairie Real Estate Board)

What can YOU do?

Time volunteered to our social programs is always appreciated...here are a few other actions that YOU can do!

The Salvation Army is looking for grocery store gift cards for fresh produce and meat.

For more information
salvationarmy@gmail.com

United Way Emergency Fund accepts monetary donations to assist individuals and families in need. Tax receipts are available.

For more information
fcssgp@cityofgp.com

Winter clothing donations for **Coats for Kids**.

For more information
<http://www.gpvsb.com>

John Howard Society accepting transit passes for youth accessing their programs.

For more information
info@johnhowardgp.ca

Cool Aid Society is accepting transit passes or taxi gift cards for transportation to access recreation and planned trips within the City of Grande Prairie. Department store gift cards are also welcome to assist with child and youth clothing needs.

For more information
Phone 780.357.9354

