In Missouri, 1 in 5 women and girls between the age of 12 and 44 lives below the Federal Poverty Line.

Period Supplies Help Students Stay in School

1 in 4 teens in the US has missed class due to lack of access to period supplies. In Missouri, 75% of female students in public school grades 7 to 12 attend Title I Eligible schools.

Period Supplies Are Necessities, Not Luxuries

Sales taxes on period supplies place an unequal burden on individuals who menstruate. 30 states tax period supplies. In Missouri, period supplies are taxed.

Missouri Menstruators Need Period Supplies

1,288,745 women and girls between the ages 12 to 44 live in Missouri. Of those, 1 in 5 lives below the Federal Poverty Line (FPL).

230,072 women and girls between the ages 12 to 44 live below 100% of the FPL. Almost 60% of families living in poverty experience financial distress and struggle to keep up with their bills and cover unexpected expenses.

197,500 women between the ages 19 to 64 are covered by Medicaid. While Medicaid provides financial protection for healthcare needs, individuals still struggle to access the material basic necessities they require to thrive.

31,089 women participate in the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program. Participants of the WIC program receive nutritious food. However, those living below 185% FPL face challenges meeting other material basic necessities.

Missouri’s 2 Allied Programs distributed more than

177,473 pads and tampons* & 42,500 liners*

Allied Programs Provided menstruators with

44,368 worry-free days**

* 2019 Figures
** Number of days Allied Programs provided menstruators with the recommended daily supply of period products in 2019.
United States

NATIONAL FACT SHEET ON PERIOD POVERTY

1 in 4 Women Struggles to Purchase Period Products Due to a Lack of Income.

Alliance for Period Supplies works throughout the US to ensure that individuals in need have access to the essential period products they require to participate fully in daily life. Our Allied Programs nationwide collect, warehouse and distribute menstrual products in local communities.

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<td>Women are 38% more likely to live in poverty than men. In some communities of color, as many as 21% are living in poverty.</td>
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Distributing Donated Product
Allied Programs distributed
7.2 million+ pads and tampons
& 2 million+ liners in 2019.

Improving Lives
Period supplies from Allied Program provided
1.8 million+ worry-free days
& 2 million+ confident days in 2019.

70 Million women and girls between the ages 12 to 44 live in the United States. Of those, 1 in 6 lives below the Federal Poverty Line (FPL).

12 Million women and girls between the ages 12 to 44 live below 100% of the FPL. Almost 60% of families living in poverty experience financial distress and struggle to keep up with their bills and cover unexpected expenses.

16.6 Million women between the ages 19 to 64 are covered by Medicaid. While Medicaid provides financial protection for healthcare needs, individuals still struggle to access the material basic necessities they require to thrive.

1.8 Million women participate in the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program. Participants of the WIC program receive nutritious food. However, those living below 185% FPL face challenges meeting other material basic necessities.

80+ Allied Programs Distribute 9.2 Million+ Period Supplies Annually and Serve 48,000+ Women and Girls Monthly

Alliance for Period Supplies raises national awareness of period poverty and supports the development and expansion of period supply programs in communities throughout the country. allianceforperiodsupplies.org

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