

Letter from MGI Leadership

As we reflect on this past year of achievements and setbacks, one thing is certain: the time for guaranteed income is

NOW!

We are living in a time of overlapping crises — inflation, a lack of affordable childcare, the ongoing pandemic, climate change-induced disasters. These issues inevitably impact us all, but the burden falls heaviest on the marginalized groups that can least afford it. A guaranteed income in and of itself would not solve all these problems, but it's a critical tool to address their effects and fundamentally reshape our economy into one that finally works for all.

Our mandate to do this is both moral and pragmatic. As leaders, we cannot stand by while our children go hungry and our constituents work themselves raw just to scrape by. We must also listen to our communities — coming out of midterm elections in which young people showed up en masse, energized by equity-creating programs like student loan forgiveness, we must invest in policies that build a fairer playing field. New data from across our pilots shows that guaranteed income does just that by going to those who are disproportionately affected by economic injustice: women and people of color. Recipients are able to stay home with a sick child, buy groceries without fear they'll overdraw their account, and go back to school to train for a more lucrative career.

MGI continued its commitment to shifting narratives around cash and poverty, including a convening of Hollywood showrunners hosted by author Roxane Gay featuring panels with guaranteed income recipients, mayors and producers. MGI also advanced greater public understanding of guaranteed income with front-page articles focused on our work in the New York Times and Washington Post Magazine.

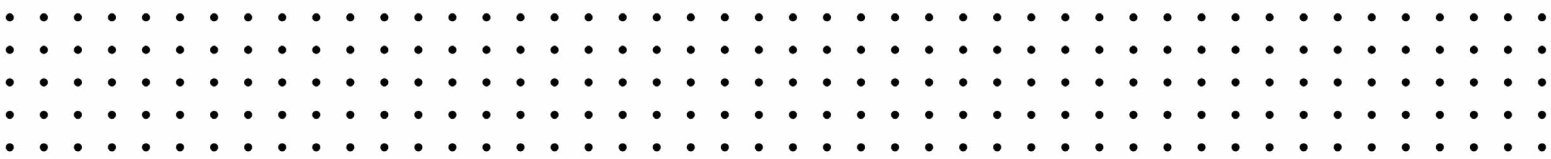
We saw public support increase at a rapid clip this year with our ranks surpassing 100 mayors, alongside record-setting public funding for guaranteed income programs. Cook County, IL announced the largest publicly-funded pilot to date. Cambridge, MA will expand its pilot to every family living in poverty in their city using only federal dollars. These milestones mark a major shift in this movement; from one that started out too 'risky' for taxpayer dollars to a serious policy proposal that received a national test-run with last year's expanded Child Tax Credit.

With more Senate support incoming in 2023, including Senator Raphael Warnock's recent win in Georgia, there is a very real chance to revive the expanded CTC. In fact, President Biden has made its passage one of his key economic priorities. As we look ahead to the next year, we're excited to make federal policy a reality through efforts like our feature-length documentary and field and power-building locally.

This movement has progressed immeasurably in the two-and-a-half years since our founding, thanks to your courage and leadership. With your continued partnership, we are confident 2023 will give many more opportunities to bring the promise of a guaranteed income to reality and to end poverty in our country.

Thank you for your leadership in this moment!

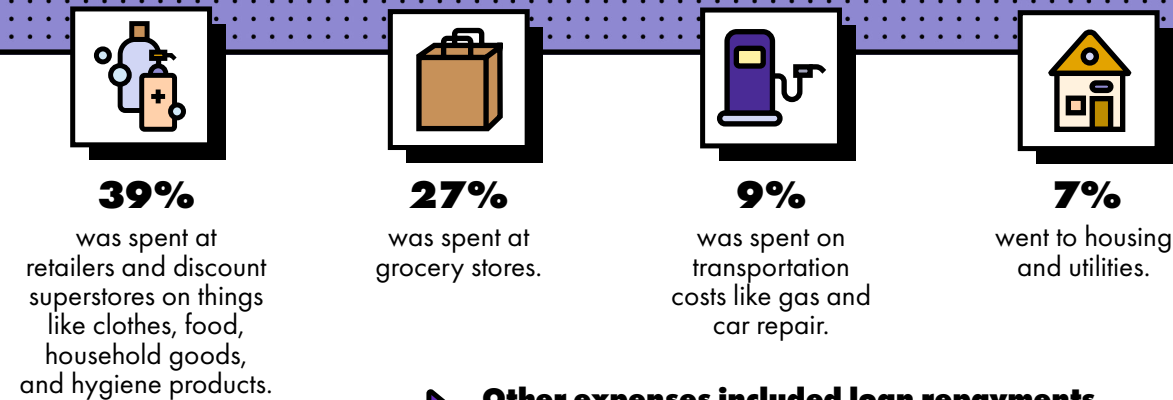
In Service, Michael Tubbs



Data Dashboard

This year, MGI released a Data Dashboard that includes demographic and spending information from more than 20 pilots across the country. This information shows that families are using their supplemental cash payments to cover necessities — providing them with the opportunity, freedom and resilience they need to build financial security in the face of an uncertain economy and rising prices.

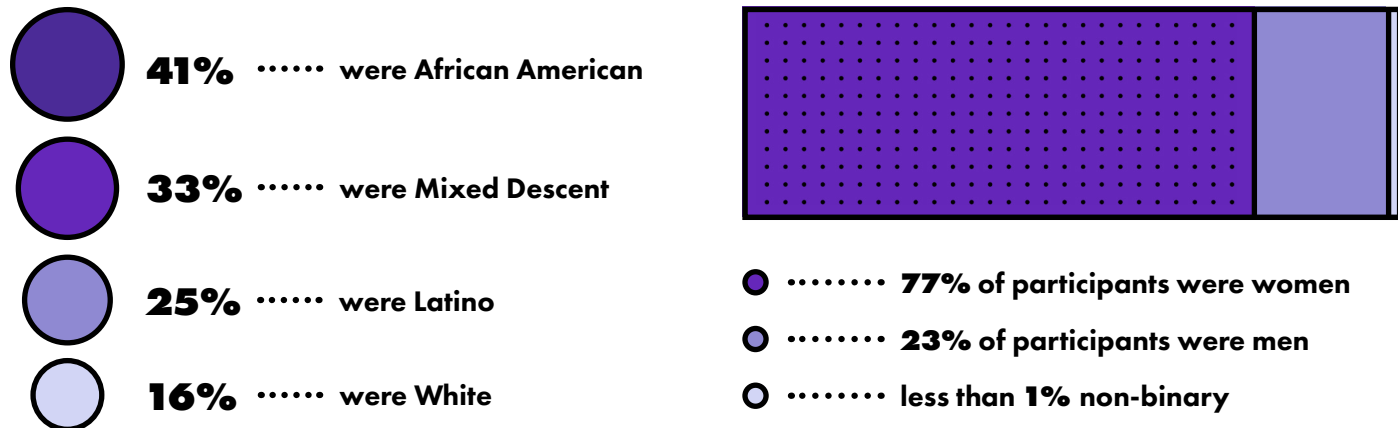
The majority of the funds were spent on basic life necessities like food, household goods, and transportation.



➔ **Other expenses included loan repayments, medical expenses, and tuition.**

While none of the programs specifically targeted participants based on their race or gender, the majority of the funds went to...

WOMEN + **PEOPLE OF COLOR**

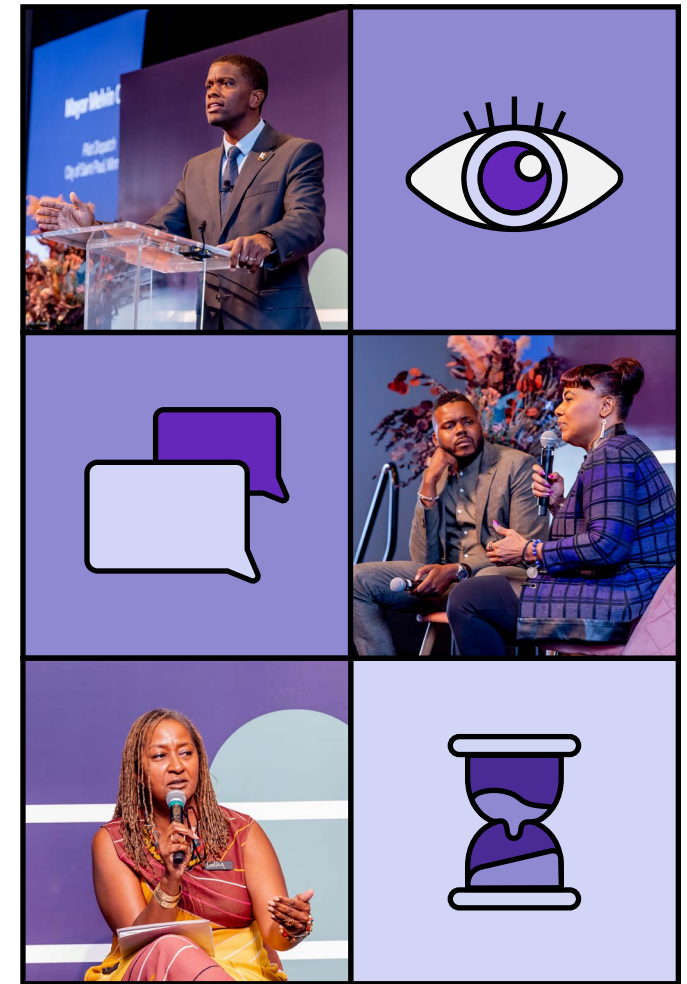


MGI unveiled the dashboard at the movement-wide Guaranteed Income Now conference, which took place near Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s neighborhood in Atlanta. The event included a fireside chat with MGI founder Michael Tubbs and MLK's daughter, Dr. Bernice King, on the importance of continuing her father's vision to eradicate poverty through a guaranteed income a half century later.

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

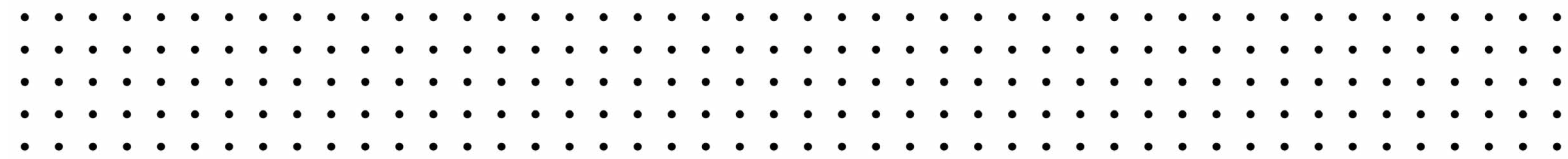
Bloomberg News covered the exclusive of the data, supplemented by several additional national and local stories. The full dashboard can be accessed [here](#), with aggregate tables on the next page.

Less than 1% of total money tracked has been spent at alcohol & tobacco retailers.



These demographic results show that guaranteed income can be a powerful tool in the immediate term to help Black and Brown families who are disproportionately facing serious financial problems because of inflation.

The dashboard also included several new recipient stories from across the country, part of MGI's efforts to shift negative narratives around people living in poverty to accurate ones rooted in dignity and respect.



Aggregate Tables

Aggregate Expenditure (in %) for categories across all cities until August 2022

CATEGORY	IN %
EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES	0.41%
FINANCIAL TRANSACTION INCLUDING BANK FEE AND LOANS	5.52%
FOOD AND GROCERIES	26.78%
HEALTHCARE/MEDICAL EXPENSES	1.52%
MISCALLENOUS EXPENSES	4.87%
RETAIL SALES AND SERVICES	39.02%
TRANSPORT RELATED EXPENSES	8.90%
TRAVEL/LEISURE/ENTERTAINMENT	5.64%
HOUSING AND UTILITIES	7.37%

GRAND TOTAL	100%
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Aggregate Data

RACE	IN %
WHITE	16.41%
AFRICAN AMERICAN	41.43%
AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKA NATIVE	1.30%
ASIAN	3.97%
NATIVE HAWAIIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER	0.56%
LATINO	26.83%
OTHER/MIXED	33.42%

Pilots to Policy

While a federal guaranteed income is our North Star, MGI and our mayors advocated for a number of cash-based solutions to end poverty over the past year. We pursue advocacy opportunities to move the conversation forward about the benefits of a guaranteed income and lay the groundwork to pass targeted, permanent programs.

TARGETED GUARANTEED INCOME PROGRAMS

MGI highlighted the California Success, Opportunity, and Academic Resilience Guaranteed Income Program (SB 1341), which guaranteed direct cash assistance to all homeless youth in 12th grade in the state (approximately 15,000 students in CA). The legislation passed the Senate but not the Assembly, so Santa Clara County picked up the idea and passed a program for its homeless 12th graders for 2023.

BENEFITS WAIVER

MGI mayors advocated for benefits waivers at the state and federal level to ensure pilot recipients are not adversely affected tax-wise for participating. We also informed policymakers about the need to ensure future permanent guaranteed income programs don't lead to a benefits cliff.

STATE-BASED SUCCESSES

In November, California announced that it will award over \$25 million in grant funding to seven guaranteed income pilot projects across the state. Each pilot will include monthly payments of \$600 to \$1,200, and the total program will impact a minimum of 1,975 recipients - with an emphasis on pregnant women and transition age foster youth.

In June, Washington state released its [Basic Income Feasibility Study](#), which concluded:

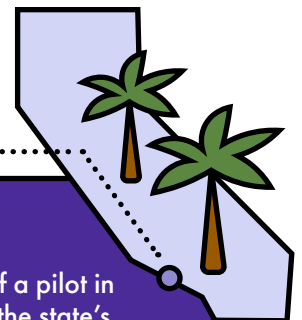
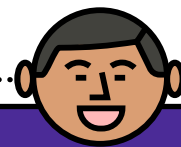
"The emerging evidence and momentum on basic income suggests its time has come. Social and economic conditions of the 21st century have increased uncertainty for Washingtonians, making it harder for families to make ends meet and plan for the future. These conditions are not unique to Washington state – income and wealth inequality are at historic highs, accelerated trends in automation and artificial intelligence will continue to disrupt work, and the wages of low and middle income workers have largely been stagnant for 40 years."

EXPANSION AND RETOOLING OF CURRENT FEDERAL GUARANTEED INCOME-TYPE PROGRAMS

Our mayors highlighted the benefits of the expanded Child Tax Credit, a guaranteed income for families with children, and advocated to the Biden Administration to make it permanent.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT ★ MAYOR ROBERT GARCIA










Outgoing Long Beach, CA, Mayor Robert Garcia — who has led the creation of a pilot in his city — will be heading to Congress in January as the new Representative of the state's 42nd congressional district. As MGI's ultimate goal is passing federal policy, having more champions of guaranteed income in Congress is crucial to achieving our strategic vision of a country that offers everyone the freedom and flexibility afforded by financial stability. Representative-Elect Garcia will be sworn into office on January 3 of 2023.


















Mayors Leading The Way








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













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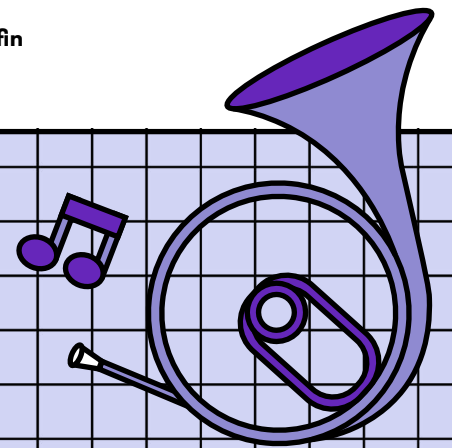
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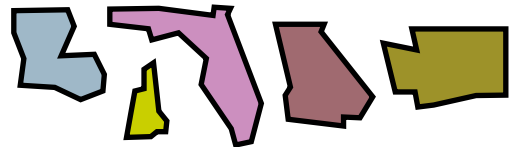
From a moment to a movement — we launched Mayors for a Guaranteed Income with 11 mayors and 1 pilot program. Now, we're at 100+ mayors and running dozens of guaranteed income pilots across the country.

Since launching, MGI has grown...

**Representing 29
Million Americans**



**Across 31
Different States**



From 11 to 102 Mayors



Between the pilots that have already started
disbursements and those that are in the works,
our coalition will provide more than

→ **\$210 MILLION** ←

in direct, unconditional relief
to everyday Americans.

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