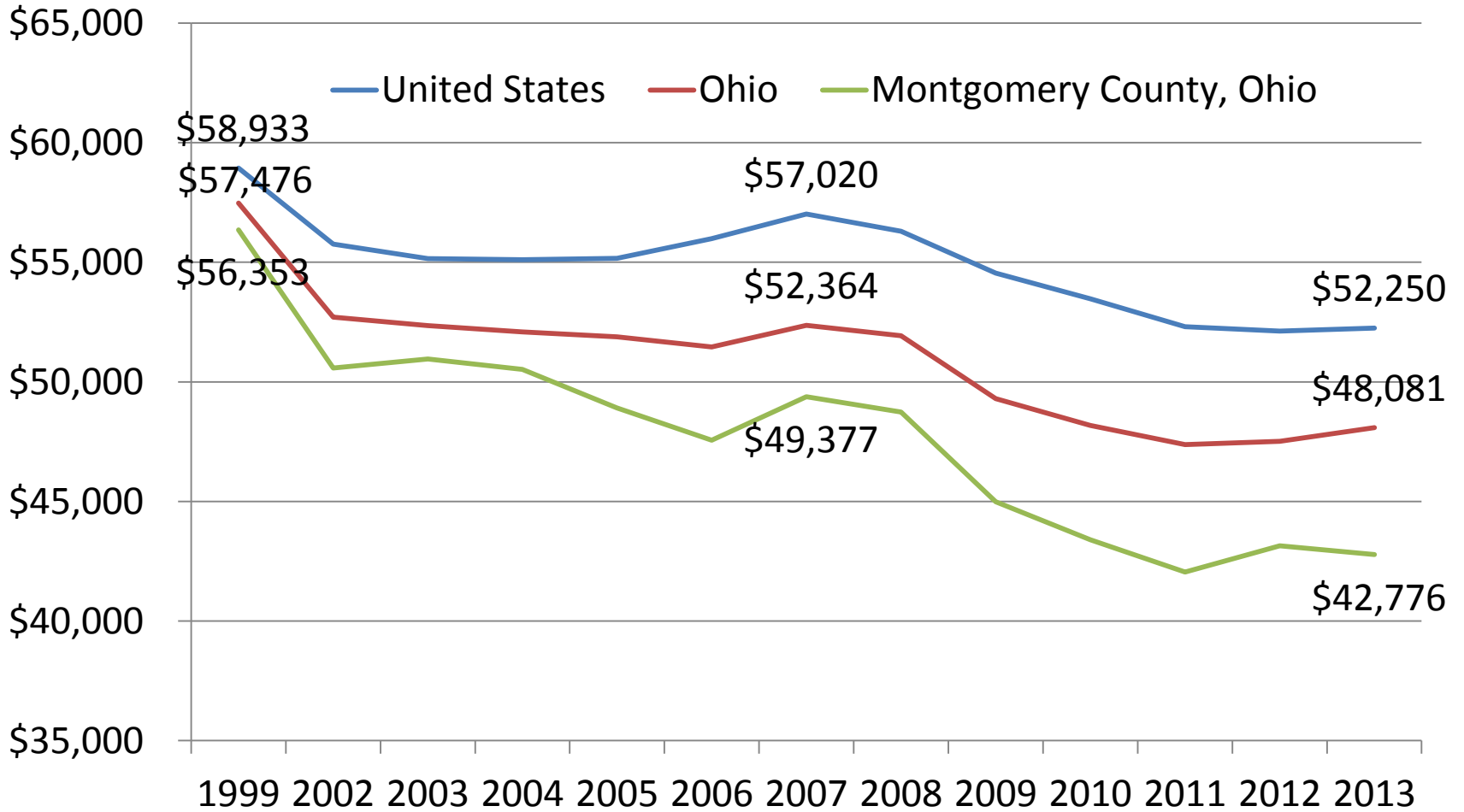


What are the short-term and long-term consequences for households of the regions' difficulty in growing its median household income?

Median Household Income, Inflation Adjusted



Median Household Income in the County has declined by 24% vs. 16% for Ohio and 11% for United States

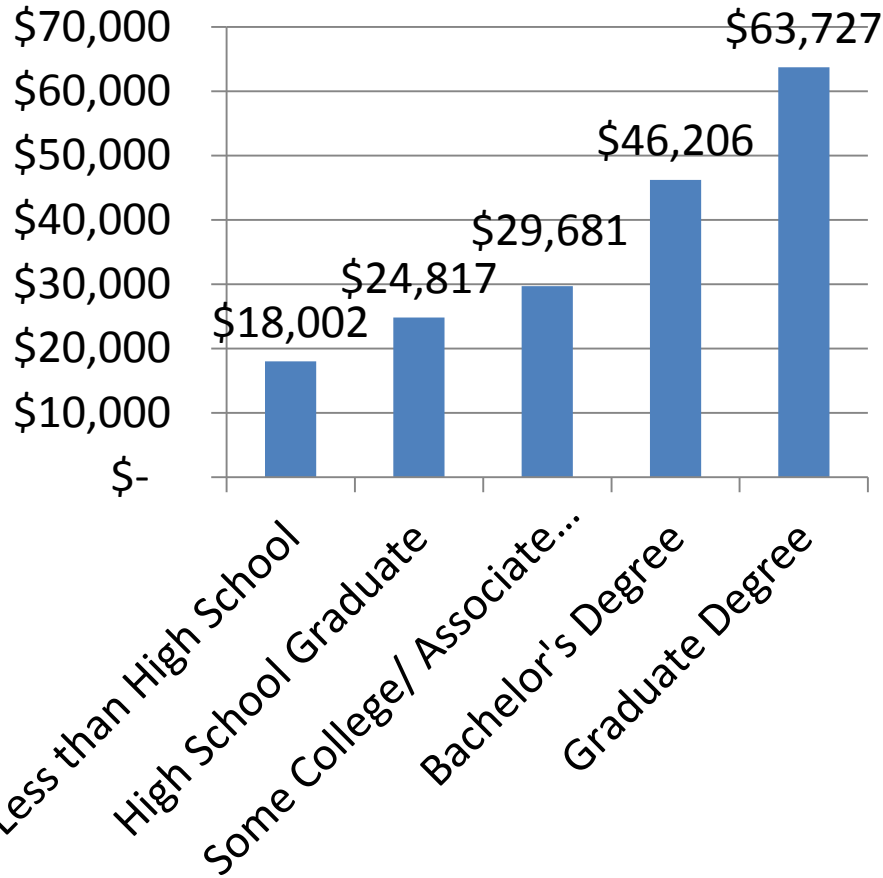
Impacts of Declining Median Household Income

- More People in Poverty
- Decreases in Parent and Child Cognitive Functioning which lead to lower Children's Math and Reading Scores
- Higher Level of Parental Stress and Depression
- Higher Levels of Substance Abuse
- Declines in Public Service Provision due to lower tax revenues, (Education, Safety, Health)

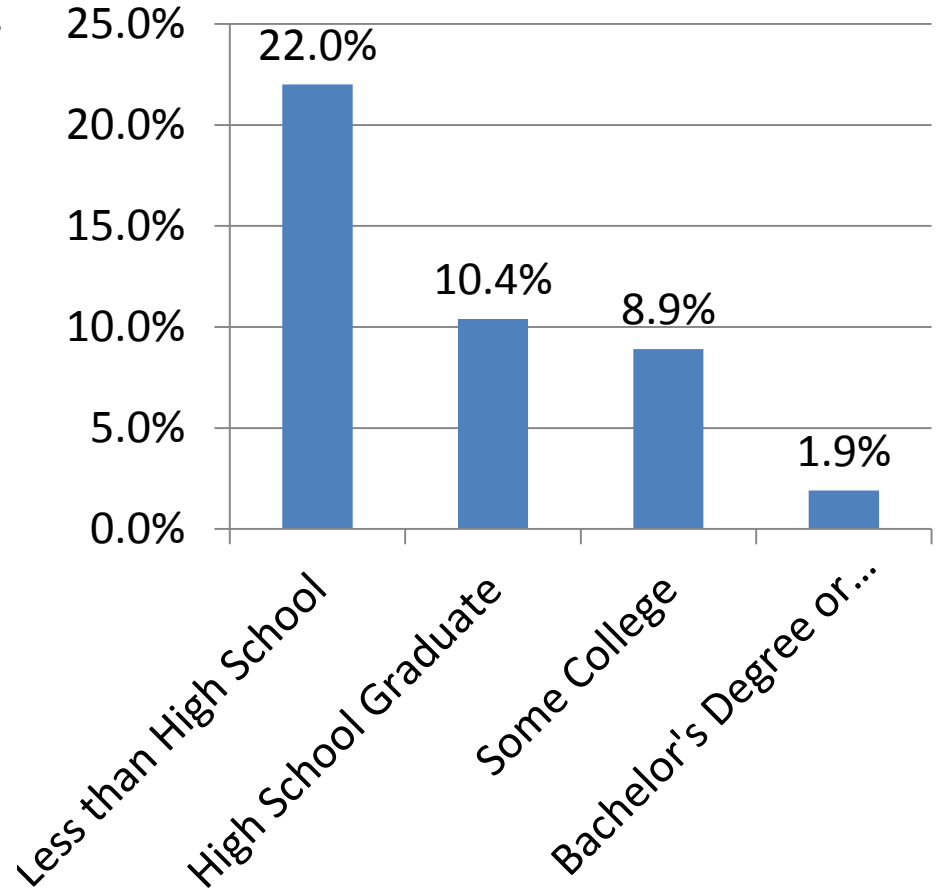
How do we help people increase their income so they are earning at least a living wage?

Education, Education, Education

Median Earnings



Unemployment Rate



What is the rule or regulation you would eliminate today if you could and what simple change could it make?

Change Ohio's Awful, Regressive Tax Structure

- HOW? Reform the State Earned Income Tax Credit
- Increase the Income Tax Burden on the Wealthiest 5%.

State and Local Tax Burden by Income Level

