# **Status Report**

## **Displaced Homemakers and Single Mothers in**

**New Jersey** 

There are 174,484 Displaced Homemakers in New Jersey

#### Children

• 5% of displaced homemakers live with their own children under the age of 6

#### Poverty

34% of displaced homemakers live in poverty

There are 367,828 Single Mothers in New Jersey

#### Children

• 30% of single mothers live with their own children under the age of 6

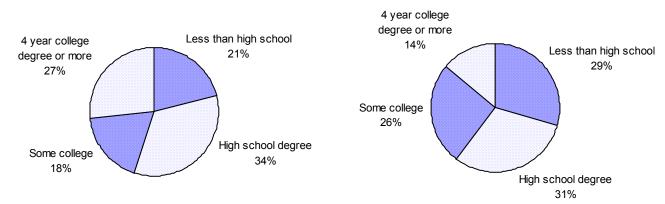
#### Poverty

20% of single mothers live in poverty

#### **Educational Attainment**



#### Single Mothers



## National Data

- Nationally there are 7.3 million displaced homemakers and 13.6 million single mothers.
- Displaced homemakers are more likely to be poor. Nationally 42% of displaced homemakers and 31% of single mothers are living in poverty.
- Displaced homemakers are less educated than single mothers, 62% of displaced homemakers have no education beyond a high school diploma, compared with only 58% of single mothers.
- Single mothers are a younger group than displaced homemakers. The majority of single mothers are 25-54 years old and the majority of displaced homemakers are 45-64 years old.
- Single mothers are more likely than displaced homemakers to have young children living at home.

### Chutes and Ladders

*The Search for Solid Ground for Women in the Workforce* Full report available at www.womenwork.org

