### 2010 ALABAMA POVERTY PROJECT DATA SHEET

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### About This Data Sheet

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Not all data is available for all geographies. Specifically, data from the 2006-2008 American Community Survey (ACS) 3-year estimates is only available for geographic areas with a population of 20,000 or more.

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### Terms and Definitions

- **childhood poverty**: Children—individuals under the age of 18.
- **infant mortality rate**: Annual number of deaths of infants under age 1 per 1,000 live births.
- **illiteracy**: Indirect estimate of percent of residents lacking basic prose literacy skills.
- **obesity**: Adults with a Body Mass Index of 30 or higher.
- **poverty**: The percent of persons (or families) who live below the federal poverty line as calculated by the Census Bureau.

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The Alabama Poverty Project educates and equips Alabamians to eradicate poverty. APP and its Alabama Possible movement address our neighbors’ tremendous needs and the systemic causes of poverty by:

- Equipping Alabama faith communities to eradicate poverty through on-site presentations and workshops like Give Us this Day Our Daily Bread, which features resources and best practices to fight hunger.

- Educating policy makers about the economic impact of poverty and the effectiveness of state-supported anti-poverty programs as a member of the Alabama Commission to Reduce Poverty.

- Promoting community service, civic engagement and service-learning with events like 2009’s Lifetime of Learning conference, which featured nationally-acclaimed speakers and best practices from Alabama higher education institutions.

- Encouraging low-income and first-generation students to enroll in college through Blueprints, our college access program. College students mentor high school students and guide them through the college application process.

- Increasing access to our educational resources and statistical data with our new web site. This new site also allows us to better utilize social networking and other outreach tools. Check it out at www.alabamapossible.org