



IT'S A REALITY FOR PEOPLE IN OUR OWN BACKYARD.

In fact, 1 in 8 people in Yankton County live in poverty.

What is a Poverty Simulation?

Poverty Simulations are a powerful, experiential opportunity for people to learn about and engage in poverty reduction. By participating, community members increase their understanding of the dynamics of poverty and experience, on a small scale, the struggle for self-sufficiency many people in Yankton County face.

Here's how Poverty Simulations work.

Participants assume the role of a low-income family member living on a limited budget and interact with volunteers playing the roles of community members; school administrators, service providers, bill collectors, and more.

A poverty simulation creates a community of people living in poverty for 1 month. During the session, each family unit must connect with community resources to meet their basic needs on a limited income.

The experience lasts about 2 hours with introduction, simulation exercise, and a debriefing period in which participants share their feelings and experiences and learn about ways they can get involved in reducing poverty in our community.

SPARK, Connections for Community, invites you to participate in an upcoming Poverty Simulation.

SESSION 1 | 8:30-11:00AM | MAY 4, 2018 | MOUNT MARTY COLLEGE CIMPL ARENA

SESSION 2 | 1:00 – 3:30PM | MAY 4, 2018 | MOUNT MARTY COLLEGE CIMPL ARENA

Register for either session by Friday, April 20 by calling United Way at (605) 665-6766 or visit www.yanktonunitedway.org/spark.

