



## ***One Connecticut Economic Security Priorities***

**E**conomic security means access to: jobs that offer decent pay and benefits; supports that help people get and keep jobs; and public benefit programs which enable residents to meet basic needs for health care, housing, food, and education. The state can create economic security in Connecticut through the following:

- 1.** Provide sufficient funding to expand Care 4 Kids child care subsidies to meet the needs of all low-income working families eligible under federal guidelines and to support quality center- and family-based care.
- 2.** Ensure access to public benefits, including increasing staffing at the Department of Social Services to reduce caseloads.
- 3.** Improve paid family and medical leave, including
  - a.** requiring a minimum of seven days paid sick time for all employees, and
  - b.** allowing use of accrued sick leave for family and medical leave for state employees.
- 4.** Implement standards for privatization of state programs and services.