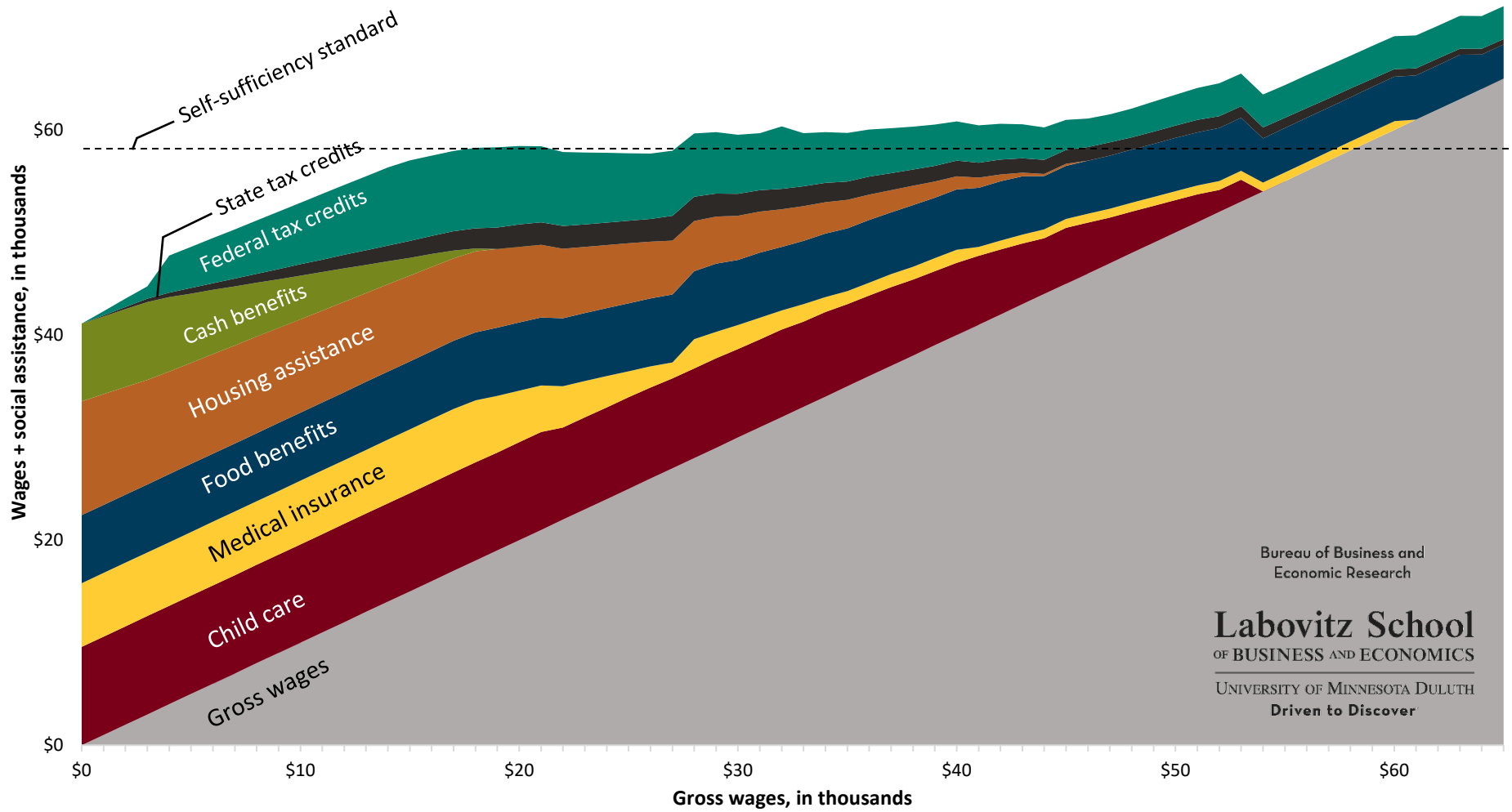


\$80 **A Single Parent Earning \$18,000 Has Little Incentive to Increase Hours or Accept Raise**

Social assistance eligibility for a single parent with two children in Hennepin County



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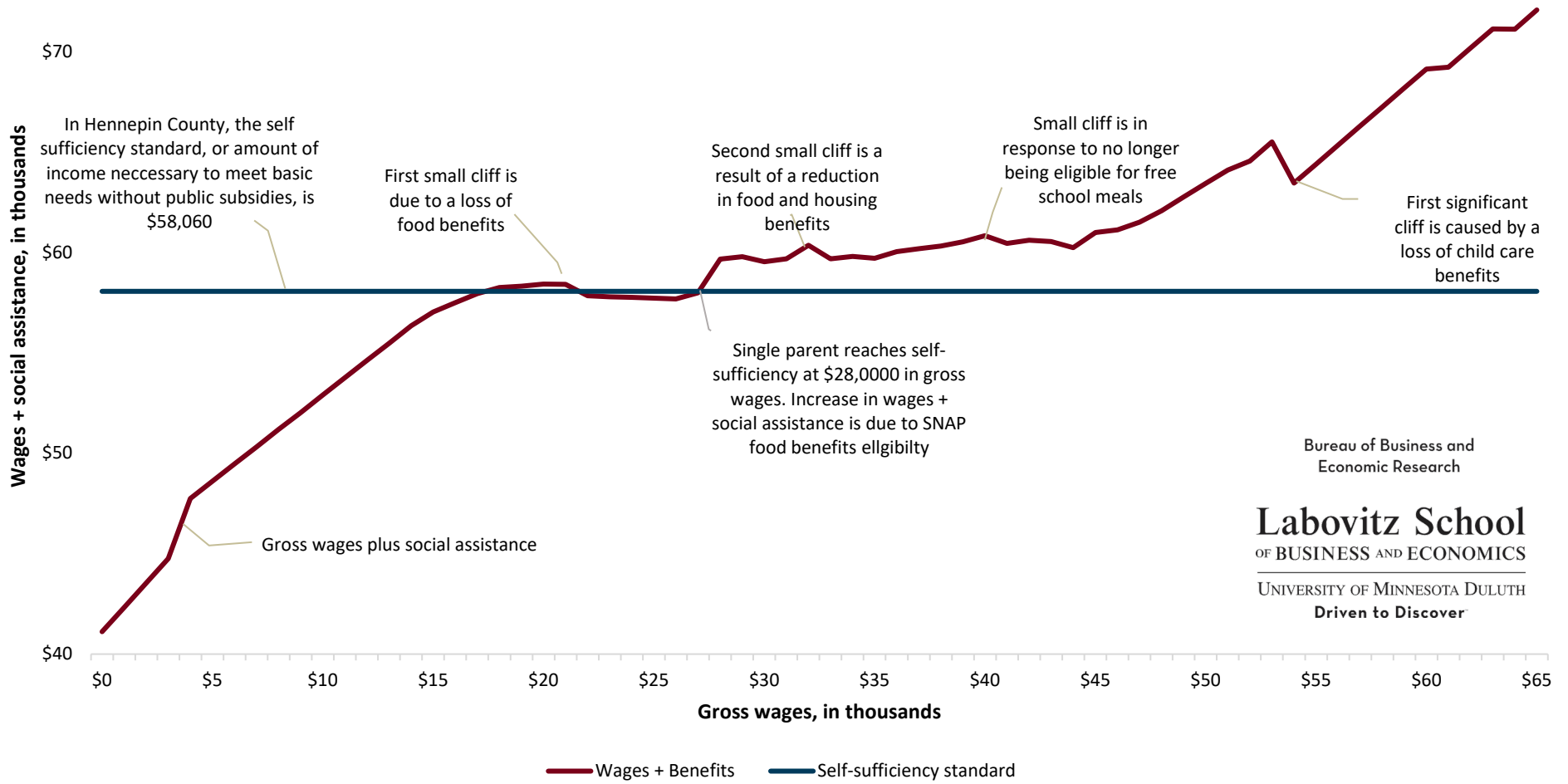
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Source: Economic Stability Indicator¹, Children's Defense Fund Minnesota; Self-sufficiency Standard, University of Washington

¹ Similar benefits were grouped for simplicity. SNAP, WIC, MFIP food benefit, and free school lunches were grouped as "food benefits," Section 8 and energy assistance programs were grouped as "housing benefits," the working family tax credit and MN child care tax credit were grouped as "state tax credits," and the earned income tax credit and federal child and dependent tax credits were grouped as "federal tax credits."

Loss of Social Assistance Creates Disincentives for Low-Income Earners

Gross wages plus social assistance for a single parent with two children, compared to the self-sufficiency standard for Hennepin County



Source: Economic Stability Indicator,² Children’s Defense Fund Minnesota; Self-sufficiency Standard, University of Washington

² There is one more significant cliff for workers earning gross wages of \$87,000, due to the loss of adult health coverage (Minnesota Care). This is not presented in the visual, as Twin Cities Rise does not serve clients at that income level.