

## **McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Act**

## Information for Parents or Unaccompanied Youth

This information is provided to assist you in ensuring that your child receives services for which they are eligible through the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Act.

## If your family is temporarily living in any of the following situations:

- sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason (sometimes referred to as "doubled-up");
- living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to lack of alternative adequate accommodations;



- living in emergency or transitional shelters;
- have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings;
- living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings; and

## Then, under the McKinney-Vento Act, your preschool-aged and school-aged children have the right to:

- enroll in school immediately, even if they are missing records and documents normally required for enrollment (i.e., birth certificate, proof of residence, previous school records, or immunization/medical records)
- attend either the school in which their residence is zoned or the school of origin, whichever is in their best interest. The school of origin is the school the child attended when permanently housed or the school in which they were last enrolled.
- receive transportation to and from the school
- have access to the same programs and services that are available to all other students including transportation and supplemental educational services

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