



STUDENTS IN TRANSITION

If you answer yes to any of the below questions, you may begin a homeless referral.

- Are you sharing housing with any other person due to the loss of housing economic hardship or other reason?
- Are you currently in a shelter, motel, hotel, in a car, or at a campsite because your home has been damaged or because of economic hardship?
- Are you currently living in or participating with a community based on temporary housing arrangement?

For Students in Transition and Referrals, Please Contact:

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EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS FOR HOMELESS STUDENTS

Under the McKinley-Vento Act, Children in homeless situations have the right to:

- Go to school no matter where they live or how long they have lived there
- Attend either their school or the origin or their local school
- Receive associated transportation services
- Enroll in school immediately, even if missing documents normally required for enrollment due to their homeless situation: such as birth certificate, proof of residence, school records, immunization or medical records
- Have immediate access to the free lunch (without filling out forms)
- Engage in all the same programs and services that are available to all other schools

WHO QUALIFIED FOR SERVICES - Families who are experiencing:

- Temporarily being "doubled up" with relatives or friends due to loss of housing, economic hardship or similar issue.
- Living in a motel, hotel or on a campus ground
- Living in an emergency or transitional shelter
- Runaway youth as well as youth not residing with their legal guardian
- Living in housing without heat, lights or water

Homeless children may qualify for the following:

- *School Transportation * School Supplies * Uniforms for School * School Activity fees
- *Before and After School tutoring * Case Management * Resource Referrals.