

McKinney Vento
was originally
authorized in 1987
reauthorized with
the No CHILD LEFT
Behind Act of 2001
And amended by the
every student
succeeds act of
2015

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## Leary & Grow Together





THE MCKINNEY
VENTO
HOMELESS
ASSISTANCE
ACT

HOMELESS

But not helpless:

EDUCATION
FOR HOMELESS
CHILD & YOUTH
PROGRAM



PRE K-12th Grade

YOU ARE NOT ALONE!

The McKinney Vento Act (MCV) defines "homeless children and youth" as individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.

The term includes--children and youth who are:

- sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason (sometime referred to as doubled-up)
- living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, bus or train station, or camping ground due to lack of alternative adequate accommodation
- living in emergency or transitional shelters abandoned in hospitals; or similar settings

The McKinney-Vento grant is designed to address the problems that homeless children and youth have faced in enrolling, attending, and succeeding in school. Under this program, State Educational Agencies (SEA) must ensure that each homeless child and youth has equal access to the same free, appropriate public education, including a public preschool education, as other children and youth.

## McKinney Vento provides\*:

- Transportation from temporary residence to school and back
- School uniforms
- High School cap and gown for graduation
- Transportation to evening academic events
- Basic school supplies
- Tools for school: tickets to school events, uniforms for sports/after school activities
- Community Connection Coordinator (Barbara Tenor at FACE Center) and local shelters
- Tutors at the shelters



\*A form may be required for events

If you become homeless at any point during a school year or receive permanent housing you may continue to receive services under McKinney Vento (MCV) until the end of the School Year.

If you are in need of any of the following assistance you can contact the Parent Liaison at the Schools.

Shynea Paris, Waterbury Public Schools, District Liaison to the Homeless, Educational Grants Department, 203.346.3511 x4058 sparis@waterbury.kl2.ct.us