



#### GENESEE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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An Overview for Parents, Guardians,
Students, and Caregivers
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# Are you currently...

- Living in a shelter?
- Living in a motel?
- Living doubled up with other people due to loss of housing or economic hardship?



## The McKinney Vento Homeless **Education Assistance Act**

The McKinney Vento act is a federal law to ensure school stability for children and youth in transition. Eligible children and youth are those lacking a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. If you or your family are eligible, you may qualify for certain rights and protections under the federal McKinney Vento Act.

Every school district is required by law to have a McKinney Vento liaison.

If you know your school district, please contact them directly and ask to speak to the McKinney Vento homeless liaison.



# **Eligible Students' Rights**

Once a student's eligibility for McKinney Vento services is determined, they may be able to receive the following

- Immediate enrollment, even if lacking documents normally required such as birth certificates
- Enrollment in the local school district of residence or in the school of origin (the school last attended when permanently housed or last enrolled in)
- Transportation services to and from school
- Free breakfast and lunch program
- Supplemental services deemed necessary to ensure school stability.

#### "What about my preschooler?"

Public preschools are now included as a school of origin, however your McKinney Vento liaison may discuss with you what's in your child's best interest.

#### OR

### "What if I'm a teen on my own?"

Unaccompanied youth, not in the physical custody of a parent or legal guardian may be eligible for McKinney Vento rights and services. To find out if you qualify, contact your district liaison.

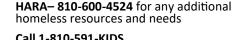
### RESOURCES



**Call 2-1-1** for community referrals Available 24 hours a day www.centralmichigan211.org



**Coordinated Entry Crisis Help Line Call 810-544-4357** to connect you to a





Call 1-810-591-KIDS

Free Preschool opportunities for children ages Birth to 5 years old. Including preschoolers with disabilities and cognitive delays



#### **REACH and Traverse Place**

24 hour / 7 days a week refuge for children, teens and families in crisis. Human services including shelter, safety, and counseling to immediately help those in need.

(810) 233-8700



**Genesee Intermediate School District Center for Countywide Programs** McKinney Vento Grant Coordinator for Genesee and Lapeer Counties (810) 591-5603



#### National Center for Homeless Education

Technical assistance and information center for the federal Education for Homeless Children and Youth (EHCY) program nche.ed.gov

