

Flagstaff Unified School District #1

FUSD's McKinney-Vento Homeless Education housed at the Family Resource Center

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Who Qualifies under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Act?

A homeless child is one who lacks a **fixed, regular** and **adequate** nighttime residence.

- **Unsheltered** – A child living unsheltered in a vehicle, camper, campground or forest.
- **Motel** – (e.g., Route 66 motels)
- **Sheltered** - Northland/HALO House Women's and Children's shelters, Catholic Charities, Hope Cottage, Sharon Manor, Flagstaff Shelter Services and Sunshine Rescue Mission
- **Doubled Up** - Inadequate housing (overcrowded due to economic hardship or loss of housing)
- Youth **awaiting** foster care placement (National average – CPS children change homes 4-6 times a year.)
- Child living with non-custodial relatives or friends in a temporary or unstable situation (e.g. couch surfing)
- Unaccompanied Youth (Youth not in the physical custody of a parent/guardian.) who are also homeless
- Substandard housing (lacking running water, electricity or heat due to economic hardship)

Is the housing temporary AND due to hardship?

McKinney-Vento Rights

A student experiencing homeless as the right to:

- **IMMEDIATE** enrollment without records (birth certificate, immunization records, schools records)
- School Choice (School of Origin or School of Residency) Every time a student changes schools during the school year, he or she loses 4-6 months of academic instruction.
- Transportation to & from school
- Free Breakfast & Lunch
- Access to Title I Services
- Dispute Resolution Process

FUSD's McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Program receives a grant that allows the program to offer additional services:

- Assistance with school enrollment and the Free Breakfast and Lunch Program
- Assistance in obtaining Birth Certificates, Immunization Records and State IDs
- School supplies, toiletries & school clothing from the MV Clothing Bank (on an as needed and available basis)
- Weekly access to the MV Food Bank located at the FRC (on an as needed basis)
- FACTS Scholarships (K-5) and School Fees (6-12) financial assistance
- FRC – Shower – Laundry – Clothing Bank — Tutoring – Computers/phone & fax - Parenting, Computer and ELL classes
- Transportation - Bus passes/gas during the period a bus route is established for a student
- Referrals to shelters, food banks & community service agencies
- Information on housing & community resources

McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Liaisons:

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