



McKinney-Vento



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January 2019

Happy New Year! With a new year comes a time for reflection and an opportunity to start anew. Colorado has made great strides in identifying students experiencing homelessness and building community partnerships to move families and Unaccompanied Youth out of homelessness. I am proud of the work I see across the state and hope to build on that momentum in 2019.

Mark Your Calendars- Liaison and Subgrantee meeting 1/17/19

CDE will be providing an opportunity for professional development and networking for those within the field of homeless education. The training will be hosted by Adams 12 Five Star School District on **January 17, 2019 from 9am-3pm**. This is a mandatory training for subgrantees, but anyone is welcome to attend. Please register via the link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mv-liaison-and-subgrantee-training-january-2019-tickets-53065881480>

McKinney-Vento: Things to know

2017-2018: School districts within Colorado enrolled and served **24,505** students under McKinney-Vento

This includes: 1,529 were 5 and under (not K)
2,363 Unaccompanied Youth

The US Department of Education released *Early Childhood Homelessness State Profiles 2018*. You can find it [here](#)

In Colorado: **1 in 18** children under the age of 6 are experiencing homelessness
11% of children under age 6 who were experiencing homelessness were served by Head Start/Early Head Start or McKinney- Vento funded ECE programs (2016)

**** Don't forget to track and keep a record of birth-2 and 3-5 (not K) for USDE reporting.**

CDE will be releasing a new Request for Proposal (RFP) for 2019-2022 Grant Cohort in February

Point-In-Time Count and School District Participation

The National Center on Homeless Education (NCHE) has created resources geared towards a school audience, providing information about the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's annual Point-In-Time (PIT) count, and suggests strategies for how schools can help ensure the most comprehensive and effective count of youth experiencing homelessness.

Download the fact sheet: <https://nche.ed.gov/data-collection/> (scroll down and look along the right)

Webinar: Conducting a Successful Youth Count

Description: In this webinar, presenters from the National Center for Homeless Education (NCHE) and Chapin Hall explore how school districts can ensure a comprehensive and effective count of youth experiencing homelessness by partnering with Continuums of Care in their annual Point-in-Time (PIT) counts. Topics will include:

- PIT Count 101
- Voices of Youth Count Lessons Learned
- NCHE PIT Count Survey Results
- School Participation in PIT Counts

Attendees interact with presenters and fellow attendees through polls and discussion periods.

Presenters: NCHE and Chapin Hall Staff

Date recorded: October 25, 2018

Length: 58 minutes

Webinar recording: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/recording/2890179957674223105>

Free Trainings and Webinars

Check out some new webinars on the [CDE page](#)

- Building Mutual Engagement between Schools and Continuums of Care
- Unaccompanied Youth and FAFSA Webinar

If you missed the webinars conducted in partnership with NAEHCY, along with upcoming trainings you can find them [here](#)

Topics include: McKinney-Vento and Foster Care 101- Let's Get to the Basics

Going Beyond the Basics: ESSA and the role of the McKinney-Vento Liaison

Sensitivity and Strengths Based Interviewing

Business and Professional Ethics

Leading with Emotional Intelligence

Preparing Students for Higher Ed with EI

Paving the Way to College for Students Experiencing Homelessness

Tuesday January 8, 2019 | 12:00PM-1:00PM MST

Register: <https://uncg.webex.com/uncg/onstage/g.php?MTID=e6583fa33563113da2e61560d91adc951>

Description: In this interactive NCHE webinar, presenters will review important information about supports available to youth experiencing homelessness as they seek to attend college. Attendees can hope to gain a better understanding of:

- Fee waiver options for college entrance exams and college application fees
- The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) process for students experiencing homelessness with their family/parent/guardian, and students experiencing homelessness on their own (unaccompanied homeless youth)
- Options for seeking financial assistance beyond federal financial aid
- Options for undocumented youth wishing to attend college

Attendees will have the opportunity to interact with presenters and fellow attendees through polls and Q&A/discussion periods.

Handouts: You may download webinar handouts at <https://ncche.ed.gov/ncche-webinar-materials-paving-the-way-to-college-for-students-experiencing-homelessness/>.

Presenters: NCHE Staff

Determining Eligibility for McKinney-Vento Rights and Services

Wednesday January 16, 2019 | 12:00PM-1:00PM MST

Register: <https://uncg.webex.com/uncg/onstage/g.php?MTID=e572d614435701335bd2a33f7e542bc67>

Description: In this interactive NCHE webinar, presenters will review the McKinney-Vento definition of *homeless children and youth*, as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Presenters will cover:

- McKinney-Vento Act basics and context
- Understanding the dynamics of family and youth homelessness
- The McKinney-Vento definition of *homeless*
- McKinney-Vento provisions on dispute resolution, including disputes related to eligibility

Attendees will have the opportunity to interact with presenters and fellow attendees through polls and Q&A/discussion periods.

Handouts: You may download webinar handouts at <https://ncche.ed.gov/determining-eligibility-webinar/>.

Presenters: NCHE Staff

McKinney-Vento 101: Understanding the Rights of Students Experiencing Homelessness

Thursday January 24, 2019 | 12:00PM-1:00PM MST

Register: <https://uncg.webex.com/uncg/onstage/g.php?MTID=ea15be9d32d4e53cba26387c6b0db7e59>

Description: In this interactive NCHE webinar, presenters will provide a high-level overview of the educational rights of children and youth experiencing homelessness under Subtitle VII-B of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Presenters will cover:

- Understanding the relationship between housing and school performance
- McKinney-Vento basics and context
- Eligibility for McKinney-Vento rights and services
- Immediate school enrollment, school selection, and transportation rights under McKinney-Vento
- The McKinney-Vento dispute resolution process

Attendees will have the opportunity to interact with presenters and fellow attendees through polls and Q&A/discussion periods.

Handouts: You may download webinar handouts at <https://nche.ed.gov/mckinney-vento-101-understanding-the-rights-of-students-experiencing-homelessness/>.

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