

McKinney-Vento- January 2022

McKinney-Vento and Natural Disaster Response

The devastating fires in Boulder County over the holiday break have impacted students, families, and communities across several school districts. CDE is working closely with district, state, and federal partners to ensure we are offering the support that districts need in this moment and long term. In this time, it is important to remember that children and youth who are displaced by disasters, may be eligible for support like other students in homeless situations, under the McKinney-Vento Act.

Resources to assist school districts and families that have been impacted and displaced by these fires can be found on [NCHE's Disaster Preparation and Response page](#) as well as the [CDE website](#).

Application Deadline for Formula Funding to Support McKinney Students Has Been Extended

The applications for the U.S. Department of Education section 2001(b)(1) of the [American Rescue Plan Act of 2021](#) funding to help support school districts in serving students experiencing homelessness has been **extended to March 1, 2022**.

The purposes of this funding include increasing the identification of homeless children and youth, providing wraparound services considering the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, and providing assistance needed to enable homeless children and youth to attend school and participate fully in school activities.

Applications must be completed and submitted through the [online application](#). Please see complete details on the [McKinney-Vento Website](#) as well as the [recording](#) from the October 21st informational webinar.

Important Reminder

Highly Mobile Peer to Peer conversation on Jan. 13

The January peer-to-peer conversation has been moved to January 13th to ease the pressure on everyone's calendar this first week of the new year. Topics will focus on innovation with ARP-HCY funding. We will be joined by guest panelists to share ideas and spark conversation on ways to leverage this unprecedented funding. Please come prepared to share what has worked for you and any questions you have about the funding still available. [Join the call here](#).

Upcoming NCHE Webinars

If your schedule allows, please consider attending a webinar on the basics of McKinney-Vento offered through the National Center for Homeless Education. The following webinars will be particularly helpful to liaisons who are new to their role.

You are welcome to share these opportunities with your partners as well. Everyone



Does your district need McKinney-Vento Training?

Please reach out if I can offer guidance or support as you navigate services and continue to advocate for children and youth experiencing homelessness.

If you are interested in training for your district or LEA, please complete the following [Training Request Form](#) and someone will be in touch to discuss your request in greater detail.

Has there been a change within your school district for the McKinney-Vento Liaison? Please complete the following [form](#) to request a needed update to our liaison list.

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is welcome and the webinars are offered at no cost.

McKinney-Vento 101: Basic Requirements of the McKinney-Vento Act

Tuesday, January 11, 2021 | 2:00PM-3:00PM ET

Register: https://uncg.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_WzhHC7IGQ_KqljhX95GzvQ

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.

Supporting the Education of Unaccompanied Students Experiencing Homelessness

Thursday, January 27, 2022 | 2:00PM -3:00PM ET

Register: https://uncg.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_9aolnckFRryNaDj--YPoRg

Presenters will cover: McKinney-Vento Act definitions of unaccompanied and homeless; K-12 educational rights and supports of unaccompanied homeless students; supports of unaccompanied homeless youth transition to high education.

Understanding Doubled Up

Wednesday, February 9, 2022 | 2:00PM- 3:00PM ET

Register: https://uncg.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Gd2HSSYwQZeMeB50ySWbVw

Presenters will cover: the issue of doubling up and how it is used in the McKinney-Vento Act's definition of homeless; the factors that should be considered with doubled-up in making a determination.