

## McKinney-Vento Act - Help for Displaced Families

The McKinney-Vento Act defines children and youth (pre-school to 21 years of age) who are homeless as: children and youth who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, and includes:

- Children and youth who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; are abandoned in hospitals; or are awaiting foster care placement (sometimes referred to as double-up).
- Children and youth who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.
- Children and youth who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations or similar settings.
- Migratory children who qualify as homeless because they are living in circumstances described above.

All educational opportunities and related opportunities for homeless students (pre-school to 21), including unaccompanied youth, shall be the same as for the general student population.

For more information on the McKinney-Vento Act please visit the School District of West De Pere's website: <https://sites.google.com/a/wdpsd.com/student-services/> .

If you are personally aware of or are acquainted with any children who may qualify according to the above criteria, please contact the local district staff person (liaison) for homeless children, Amy Schuh, Director of Student Services (920)337-1393 or email to [aschuh@wdpsd.com](mailto:aschuh@wdpsd.com).