

Children experiencing homelessness have the right to a stable education and we can help put them on the path to success.

> All trainings can be altered to meet your specific timeframe and needs.

Please contact an **ECYEH Coordinator at** 610-987-8509 to schedule a training.

# PA EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS

Every child deserves school stability.

# **REGION 2** TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

### MCKINNEY-VENTO 101

Looking for a basic overview of the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act? This training is for you. Participants will gain an understanding of the challenges faced by students experiencing homelessness, including the specific challenges faced by unaccompanied youth. Characteristics of homelessness and identification strategies will be explored. An online poverty simulation can be added to this training.

#### **FOSTER CARE**

This training will provide a basic overview of school district responsibilities for foster care youth, under the 2015 Every Student Succeeds Act. Collaboration strategies and best practices in working with foster care youth will be explored.

### TRANSPORTING **STUDENTS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS**

This training will focus specifically on school district transportation requirements for students experiencing homelessness, as required by the McKinney-Vento Act. Best practices and creative transportation solutions will be explored.

### **HOMELESSNESS** IN EARLY CHILDHOOD

Learn about the unique challenges faced by children experiencing homelessness in early childhood and their rights under the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. This training will focus on preschool, early intervention, and Head Start programs.

#### **HOMELESS AWARENESS WORKSHOPS FOR STUDENTS**

#### **Book Club**

This 20- to 40-minute workshop is available for preschool or elementary students ages 3 to 10. Students will be introduced to the issue of homelessness through books and facilitated discussions. Students will have the opportunity to complete a related follow-up activity.

## Families in Transition

This is a one-hour workshop available for students ages 11-21. Students will be introduced to the issue of homelessness through stories, videos, and discussions. A variety of activities may be used based on the age level and specific needs of each group. These activities may include an online poverty simulation, board games, visual art, and more.

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