

Family Resources

Food, Housing, & Financial Assistance

- Salvation Army - Butts County Service Unit (770)775-2940
- Salvation Army - Clayton And Fayette Counties Service Unit (770) 724-1681
- Clayton County Community Services Authority (404) 363-0575
- I-58 Mission, Inc. (770) 301-0870
- Salvation Army - Newnan Service Center (770) 251-8181
- Fayette Samaritans, Inc. 770-719-2707
- Real Life Center, Inc. (770) 631-9334
- Rainbow House, Inc. at 770-478-6905
- Central Outreach And Advocacy Center (404) 659-7119
- Hosea Helps (404) 755-3353
- Salvation Army - Griffin Corps (770) 412-6561
- Miracle Mission Hope House, Inc./MMHH (770) 412-2950
- Helping in His Name Food Pantry 678-565-6135
- Impact Christian Ministries - Griffin, GA 678-603-0831
- 2-1-1 United Way Dial 2-1-1 or text your zip code and need to 898-211
- 1-800-CHILDREN Resources (1-800-244-5373)

Health Contacts

- Butts County Health Department 770.504.2230
- Coweta County Health Department 770.254.7400
- Pike County Health Department 770.567.8972
- Upson County Health Department 706.647.7148

National Lines

- National Parent Hotline 1-855- 4A PARENT (1-855-427-2736)
- National Domestic Violence Hotline (800) 799-SAFE (7233) If you're unable to speak safely, you can log onto thehotline.org or text LOVEIS to 22522.
- The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 988

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Education of Children & Youth in Housing Transitions A Guide for Parents and Guardians



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Frequently Asked Questions

What is the McKinney-Vento Assistance Act?

The McKinney-Vento Act is a law passed in 1987 and reauthorized in 2015 under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The act ensures that students in a housing transition and unaccompanied youth in a housing transition are successful in school by removing barriers to access.

How does the law define housing transition?

An individual is in a housing transition if he or she lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. The definition also includes those living in shelters, motels, campgrounds, cars, abandoned buildings, or other inadequate shelter. The law also includes situations in which an individual shares the housing of relatives or others because he or she has lost housing or cannot afford housing due to economic hardship, eviction, domestic violence, house fire, natural disaster, or a similar reason.

What are my student's rights under the McKinney-Vento Act?

A student that qualifies under this law has the right to immediate school enrollment even if health & school records are not available. The student may attend either the school of origin (the school most recently attended) OR the school in the attendance zone where the family resides, and may receive transportation to the school of origin when feasible and in the best interest of the child. The student also has the right to comparable services (the same services provided to other students) including transportation, educational services, supplemental services, extra-curricular activities, and free meals through School Nutrition.

Will school personnel treat my child differently if he/she is in a housing transition?

Students and unaccompanied youth may not be stigmatized by school personnel.

If my child and I go through a housing transition during the school year, what should I do?

Ask to speak to your child's Counselor. You will be offered a McKinney-Vento Residency Questionnaire to complete.



Who can I call if I need assistance?

Contact the School Counselor of Liberty Tech Charter School.

Can my child stay at his/her school if our residency changes and have to move out of the school zone?

If a parent/guardian of a McKinney Vento student or an unaccompanied youth requests continued enrollment in the school the student has most recently attended (school of origin), the student may continue to attend that school if feasible and in the best interest of the student. If the request for school of origin enrollment is denied by the McKinney-Vento Liaison, a written explanation will be provided to the parent/guardian. The parent/guardian may dispute the decision.

Is transportation provided?

If the student continues enrollment in the school of origin and does not have adequate transportation, transportation will be provided to and from the school of origin if requested by the parent/guardian/caregiver/unaccompanied youth. Provision of transportation assistance will be made in the best interest of the child. Requests for transportation may be made directly to the McKinney-Vento liaison or school counselor.

If I don't agree with a school enrollment or transportation decision, how do I file a dispute?

Step 1: The parent/guardian or unaccompanied youth must respond in writing to both the McKinney-Vento Liaison and the Principal of Liberty Tech Charter School within five days of receiving the written decision to deny enrollment or transportation. Failure to appeal in writing within five days will be considered acceptance of the decision.

Information in the written request for resolution must be consistent with the information originally presented.

Step 2: The Administrative Team will make a final determination and will respond in writing to the parent/guardian.

Step 3: If the parent/guardian or unaccompanied youth does not agree with the decision of the Administrative Team he/she must immediately appeal to the Georgia Department of Education for a final determination. Contact Whitney Mitchell, McKinney-Vento Program Consultant, at 678-621-3611.