ECYEH Can Assist With These Services

School enrollment/placement

Agency referrals (clothing, food, shelter)

Tracking/transferring school records

Accessing educational programs

Interagency problem-solving

Increasing public awareness of homelessness

Consultative phone calls to answer school, agency and shelter questions

Training and education

Outreach visits

School supplies/clothing

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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

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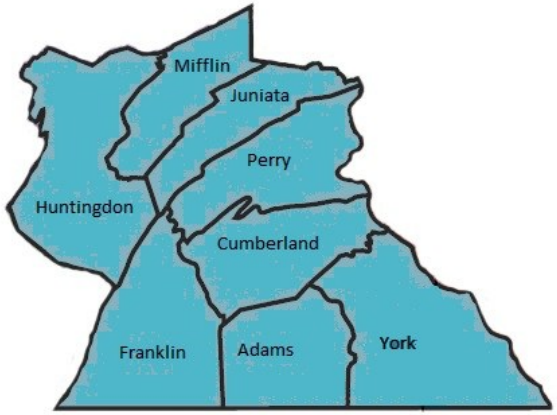

PA Region 3 — Serving 8 Counties

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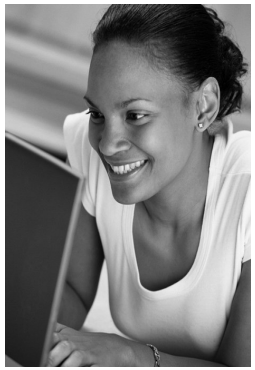
Region 3

Education for Children & Youth Experiencing Homelessness (ECYEH)

Lincoln Intermediate Unit No.12

Our Goal

- Ensure that all children and youth experiencing homelessness enroll, participate, and have the opportunity to succeed in school
- Ensure children and youth experiencing homelessness receive a free and appropriate public education on an equal basis
- Eliminate and/or reduce educational barriers through the use of local "best practices" and the authorized activities of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act



- Reduce the disruption in the educational lives of children and youth experiencing homelessness
- Increase awareness about the nature and extent of the problems children and youth experiencing homelessness have enrolling in and gaining access to educational programs
- Explain and build on the laws and policies already in place, which overcome these barriers

McKinney-Vento Act

Definition of Homeless:
The term "homeless children and youth"—
(A) means individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence ...; and
(B) includes—
- (i) children and youths 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 accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; are abandoned in hospitals; or are awaiting foster care placement;
- (ii) children and youths 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;
- (iii) children and youths who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings; and
- (iv) migratory children who qualify as homeless for the purposes of this subtitle because the children are living in circumstances described in clauses (i) through (iii).

Commitment

Our team is committed to providing assistance with coordination and collaboration of services to ensure each student experiencing homelessness has the opportunity to succeed in school.

ECYEH Region 3

A Student's Rights

- The right to immediate enrollment in school, even if lacking paperwork normally required
- The right to attend school in his/her school of origin (if this is requested by the parent and is feasible) or in the school in the attendance area where the family or youth is currently residing
- The right to receive transportation to his/her school of origin, if this is requested by the parent
- The right to services comparable to those received by housed schoolmates, including transportation and supplemental educational services
- The right to attend school along with children not experiencing homelessness. Segregation based on a student's status as homeless is strictly prohibited

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