

# **NOVEMBER IS**





## **Un-Housed In Contra Costa County:**



increase in households with children, 2019-2021



decrease in number of households served, 2019-2021

**Liberty Union High School District** serves approximately 88 un-housed students across the district.



#### **Student Housing Questionnaire**

Families of all new enrolled students must complete a Housing Questionnaire. The information provided helps the school registrar determine what additional educational services the student aualifies for through the federal McKinney-Vento Assistance Act.

## If you want more information about the Homeless Student Education **Program contact:**

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#### Resources for teens and Unaccompanied Youth

- Contract Costa Food Bank to find services near you call 1-855-3663
- Health & Medical
  - Brentwood Public Health 171 Sand Creek Rd. Suite A 925-313-6767
  - Health Care for the Homeless (Mobile Med Services) 925-313-6166
- Contra Costa County Crisis Center call for all county resources, including shelters call 211 or 1-800-833-2900







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#### NATIONAL HOMELESS AWARENESS MONTH

In 2007 The United States Congress established November as National Homeless Youth Awareness Month. Liberty Union High School District recognizes the unique challenges faced by homeless youth and encourages activities and events that support increased awareness of the needs of children who are homeless.

Per the California Department of Education in the school year 2019-2020 244,626 Homeless Students were enrolled in California.



McKinney Vento
Educating Children and Youth

# MCKINNEY VENTO HOMELESS EDUCATION ACT

This law gives Homeless Children the right to:

- Remain in the same school even if they move;
- Enroll in a new school without required records such as proof of residency, immunizations, school records, or other papers;
- Get transportation to and from school;
- Challenge decisions made by schools and districts.

#### DEFINITION OF HOMELESSNESS

The McKinney-Vento Act defines homeless children and youths as individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. This definition also includes:

- Children and youths who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason
- Children and youths who may be living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, shelters
- 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



#### LOOK FOR THE SIGNS...

- History of attending many schools
- Erratic attendance and tardiness
- Mention of staying with grandparents, other relatives, or in a motel
- Hunger and hoarding of food
- Hostility and anger
- Poor hygiene and grooming
- Lack of preparation for class
- Sleeping in class
- Inappropriate clothing
- Needy behavior, withdrawn



#### LUHSD MCKINNEY-VENTO EDUCATION PROGRAM

We provide assistance to homeless students and their families in compliance with the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Improvements Act.

- Immediate enrollment in school
- Referrals for families to community agencies
- Assistance with school supplies, personal hygiene items, clothing and shoes
- Transportation
- Outreach/ awareness