Housing Choice Voucher Waiting List OPENING

THE WAIT IS OVER!
OCTOBER 1, 2019 1:00PM – 5:00PM
Visit vhda.apply4housing.com to get on the waiting list for a voucher.

Do not use a cell phone or tablet.

Call your local Housing Connections office for additional information

Pearisburg – (540)921-1392
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McKinney-Vento and Planned Moves

Project HOPE coordinator, Heather Turman, attended this year’s Region 6 McKinney-Vento Training. This annual training provides education, updates, guidance and any changes to McKinney-Vento qualifications and services.

The National Center for Homeless Education (NCHE) has provided guidance on the qualification of McKinney-Vento students when a move is planned. These includes a planned incarceration, immigration with the plan to double-up or a student move due to DSS safety plan. If a move is planned the student does NOT qualify for McKinney-Vento services.

How can we support educational stability of students? It is vital that agencies continue to communicate to keep the students best interest in mind when students must move.

A Superintendent Memo will be coming soon regarding this information. Be on the lookout! The memo will include a survey to look at the impact of this change. NCHE and liaisons recognize this puts a group of students with issues similar to McKinney-Vento students in a "hole" but homeless designation isn't the answer.
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Scholarship Application LIVE
Scholarship Application

The SHC Youth Leadership and Scholarship Program
[Deadline to apply: November 10, 2019, 11:59 PM PST]

- Provides scholarships to youth who have experienced homelessness to ensure their completion of a post-secondary education program.
- Assists youth with financial aid processes, mental health advocacy and referrals, professional legal advocacy and referrals, and assistance in locating and establishing local contacts for general support and services.
- Builds a stable peer and adult support network for recipients, before, during, and after their college careers, and into their transition into the workforce.
- Offers young people meaningful opportunities to engage in advocacy, while providing sustained support services to help ensure graduation and success in life.

The Award

- $2,000 scholarship award.

Upcoming Webinars from School House Connections www.schoolhouseconnection.org

Wednesday, October 2, 2019, 1:00 – 2:15PM ET
Title: Making the Case for Homeless College Students: A Case Manager Perspective

Wednesday, October 9, 2019, 1:00 – 2:15PM ET
Title: Partnerships that Connect Child Care and Head Start with McKinney-Vento Liaisons and Public Schools

Wednesday, October 23, 2019, 2:00 – 3:15PM ET
Title: Supporting Students Experiencing Homelessness: What the Youth Risk Behavior Survey Teaches Us About Health Risks, and How Professionals Can Mitigate Them

Tuesday, November 12, 2019, 1:00 – 2:15PM ET
Title: Be Attentive to Attendance: How Chronic Absenteeism Affects Students Experiencing Homelessness