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AREA RESOURCES

- 1** DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES PROVIDES CONNECTIONS FOR FOOD, MEDICAL, CHILD CARE AND OTHER NEEDS. (269) 673-7700
- 2** CHRISTIAN NEIGHBORS OF WAYLAND
122 CHURCH STREET, WAYLAND
HOURS: TUESDAYS 9AM-NOON, 1-4PM
(269) 792-2870
- 3** ALLEGAN COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS (269) 686-4703
- 4** PROJECT HOPE OF ALLEGAN COUNTY CASH ASSISTANCE, FOOD, FURNITURE, CLOTHING, AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS.
1808 143RD AVE, DORR, MI (616) 681-4673
- 5** ALLEGAN COUNTY COMMUNITY LINKS: COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER, (269) 686-4585
communitylinks@allegancounty.org

ELIGIBLE CHILDREN HAVE THE RIGHT TO...

- 1** Enroll in school immediately, even if lacking documents normally required for enrollment
- 2** Enroll in school and attend classes while the school gathers needed documents
- 3** Enroll in the local school, or continue attending their school of origin (the school they last attended when permanently housed or the school in which they were last enrolled), if that is their preference and is feasible
- 4** Receive transportation to and from their school if appropriate
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You may qualify for certain rights and protections under the federal McKinney Vento Act

Do you live in any of the following situations?

Shelters: Living in emergency shelters, transitional shelters, or other types of shelters.

Motels/Campgrounds: Living in motels or campgrounds due to a lack of alternative housing options.

Vehicles: Living in cars, buses, or trains.

Public Spaces/Abandoned Buildings: Living in parks, public spaces, or abandoned buildings.

Doubled-Up: Sharing housing with others due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason. This includes situations where families are living with friends or relatives because they cannot afford their own housing.

Substandard Housing: This can include housing that lacks utilities, is infested with vermin or mold, or lacks a working kitchen or bathroom.

Hopkins Public Schools



The McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act

The Act is a federal law that governs educational rights of children and youth in homeless situations. According to the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, a homeless person is an individual, including children and youth, who lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence. If you and your family meet certain qualifications, the homeless education liaison at your school district can help you with a variety of services for you and your children.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCEDURE

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act acknowledges that disputes may arise between the school district and transitioning student(s) and their parents/guardians when the student is placed in a school other than the one requested. Guidance for school selection is provided in the law. The law includes dispute resolution among the required duties of the LEA Liaison.

The following procedures are specified in the Act:

- Transitioning student is to be immediately enrolled in the school preferred by the parents until the dispute is settled
- School must provide a written explanation of the school placement decision to the parent/guardian or unaccompanied youth.
- They must also tell you in writing how you can appeal this decision.
- Liaison: The designated LEA liaison is assigned to carry out the dispute resolution in an expeditious manner.



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TIPS FOR PARENTS

1

Talk with your child's teacher about your living situation. Your child may qualify for additional help through other programs and resources available at the school.

2

Tell your child's teacher about your current situation. The more a teacher knows about your child, the more they can help them succeed.

3

Make sure your child attends school every day.

4

Read to your child every day - even if it is only a few minutes. The time spent will make a difference in your child's education.