



District of Columbia  
Office of the State Superintendent of Education

American Rescue Plan Homeless Children and Youth (ARP-HCY) Fund: LEA ARP-Homeless I and II Funding Allowable Uses\*  
Includes Uses Based on Existing McKinney-Vento Grant Program (See generally, 42 USC § 11433(d))

**McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (MKV), Subtitle B Allowable Uses\***

ADMINISTRATION + PROGRAM MANAGEMENT	CURRICULUM + INSTRUCTION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administrative/indirect costs</li> <li>• Advertising for program offerings only (e.g., newspapers, radio, television, direct mail, exhibits, electronic or computer transmittals, etc.)</li> <li>• Printing, printing supplies</li> <li>• Program evaluation</li> <li>• Payment of fees and costs associated with tracking, obtaining, and transferring records needed to enroll children and youth experiencing homelessness, including birth certificates, immunization or other required health records, academic records, guardianship records, and evaluations for special programs or services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early childhood education, developmentally appropriate, for pre-school aged children experiencing homelessness not provided through federal, state, or local funding</li> </ul>
INFRASTRUCTURE	STAFFING
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supplies (school, etc.) and space               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Includes supplies to non-school facilities serving eligible students and adapting these facilities to enable them to provide services.</li> <li>– Includes school supplies distributed at shelters or temporary housing facilities, or other appropriate locations.</li> <li>– Includes supplies such as personal protective equipment, eyeglasses, school supplies, and personal care items.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Technology               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Purchasing cell phones or other technological devices for unaccompanied children and youth experiencing homelessness to enable them to attend school and fully participate in school activities.</li> <li>– Providing access to reliable, high-speed internet for students through the purchase of internet-connected devices/equipment, mobile hotspots, wireless service plans, or installation of Community Wi-Fi Hotspots (e.g., at homeless shelters), especially in underserved communities.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The portion of personnel salaries and benefits (1) allocable to implementing MKV’s allowable uses of funds (2) that go above and beyond the school’s regular academic program, including:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Homeless liaisons;</li> <li>– Teachers, paraprofessionals, aides, tutors;</li> <li>– Technology personnel;</li> <li>– Coaches, specialists, interpreters/translators; and</li> <li>– Registrars, secretaries/clerks, social workers when performing MKV eligible supports and services can be paid with MKV funds.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Professional development designed to heighten understanding and sensitivity to the needs of and raise awareness of the rights of students experiencing homelessness</li> <li>• Travel costs associated with professional development</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Education and training for parents and guardians of homeless children and youths about the rights of and resources available to such children, and other activities to increase meaningful parent/guardian involvement</li> </ul>

## STUDENT SUPPORT

- Expenses necessary to facilitate the identification, enrollment, retention, and educational success of children and youth experiencing homelessness
- Specialized instructional support, including violence prevention counseling, and referrals for such services
- Programs addressing the particular needs of children and youth experiencing homelessness arising from domestic violence, parental mental health, or substance abuse
- Expedited evaluation services including but not limited to career and technical education, programs for English learners, nutrition programs, special education, and programs for gifted and talented youth
- Referral services to dental, medical, mental, and other health services
- Services and assistance to attract, engage and retain homeless children and youths in public school programs and services provided to non-homeless children and youth, particularly for children and youth experiencing homelessness and not enrolled in school
- Supplemental school programs
  - Tutoring, supplemental instruction, and other educational services that help children and youth experiencing homelessness reach the same challenging state academic standards as those for other children and youths
  - Before/after-school mentoring, and summer programs for children and youth experiencing homelessness in which a teacher or other qualified person provides tutoring, homework assistance, and supervision of educational activities.<sup>1</sup> ARP-HCY funds may only be used for these activities if they supplement the support provided by ARP Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds, which are intended to address academic loss through summer enrichment and afterschool activities.
- Transportation
  - Defrays excess cost of transportation services not covered by federal, state, or local funding to enable students to remain in the school selected for the student to attend according to the youth's best interest (i.e., the school of origin or the school in the attendance area where the youth experiencing homelessness lives)
- Extraordinary or emergency services needed to enable students experiencing homelessness to attend school and participate fully in school activities.
  - Paying for short-term, temporary housing (e.g., a few days in a motel) when such emergency housing is the only reasonable option for COVID-safe temporary housing and when necessary to enable homeless children and youth to attend school and participate fully in school activities (including summer school).
  - Providing store cards/prepaid debit cards to purchase materials necessary for students to participate fully in school activities.
- Providing the same services to youth deemed by the LEA to be at risk of failing in or dropping out of school, if the services are provided on school grounds.

**NOTE:** Services provided with MKV funds must not replace the regular academic program and must instead be designed to expand upon or improve services provided as part of the school's regular academic program.

\*All costs must be consistent with both 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart E and with the grant's authorizing statute. For questions, please contact OSSE. This table includes a sample listing of the use of funds and is not an exhaustive list of permitted uses of MKV fund

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<sup>1</sup>Note that children and youth experiencing homelessness are entitled to participate in the regular after-school program provided by the school and schools must address all barriers to their full participation in such programs. If no after-school programs are provided by the school, or the programs do not meet the needs of homeless children and youths, MKV funds may be used for after-school services for children and youth experiencing homelessness.