



**Identify.  
Engage.  
Support.**

## **You can help students experiencing homelessness.**



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*The mission of the ESC of Lake Erie West is to provide quality resources and services that meet the unique needs of its partners in the educational community.*

**The ESC of Lake Erie West's McKinney-Vento Social Work Coordinator is a licensed professional who supports schools by:**

- Educating school staff to increase awareness of homelessness and helping them meet the needs of homeless children, youth, and their families
- Coordinating with community agencies to help students and their families connect with community and school district resources
- Calling upon community partners to best meet the needs of students and their families

**A student is considered homeless by the McKinney-Vento Act when they lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, such as:**

- sharing the housing of another person (doubled-up)
- living in hotels or motels
- living in emergency shelters or transitional housing
- living in campgrounds or RV parks lacking access to running water, heat, or electricity
- living in cars, parks, and public places not meant for housing

*The McKinney-Vento Homeless Children and Youth Program seeks to ensure that ALL children, youth, preschoolers, and their families have equal access to a free and appropriate education.*

**If you suspect a child is experiencing homelessness,  
call the ESC of Lake Erie West at 419.725.2064.**