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 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 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 ESC of Lake Erie West Social Worker Coordinator 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.