

# Office of the Student Advocate

# Homelessness

## Resource Kit



## Documents

Homeless students are allowed to enroll without full documentation. Families without proof of residence or proof of immunization may still enroll their student.



## Transportation

Schools must provide transportation for homeless students. This includes providing metro fare for students to get to and from school. Parents with small children may also receive metro fare to take their students to school.



## Uniforms

Homeless students may get free uniforms from their school. Some schools even provide access to washer and dryer units. Check with your counselor to see what your school provides.



## Resources

Every school has a Homeless Liaison. Homeless Liaisons may help homeless students pay for school supplies, immunizations, and SAT/ACT/GED testing. Homeless families that also need help with finding or paying for counseling, tutoring, or similar services should also contact their school's Homeless Liaison. Ask your principal or your favorite teacher to tell you who yours is. Schools may have additional funds to help families in need.



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## What does "homeless" mean?


Students are considered homeless if they do not have a permanent and adequate place to sleep at night. This includes staying with friends or families for extended periods of time, sleeping at a shelter, or participating in a temporary housing program.

## Agencies

### Youth Friendly Agencies

#### Sasha Bruce Youthwork

Emergencies: (202) 547-7777  
Information: (202) 675-9340

Casa Ruby   
(202) 355-5155

#### Covenant House

(202) 610-9600

Wanda Alston House   
(202) 733-3643

#### Latin American Youth Center

(202) 695-1278

Re-Engagement Center  
(202) 671-2539

#### SMYAL

(202) 546-5940

Homeless Children's Playtime Project  
(202) 329-4481

### More Agencies

DC Coalition for the Homeless  
(202) 347-8870

Friendship Place  
(202) 364-1419

DCPS Homeless Children and Youth Services  
(202) 724-1338

Miriam's Kitchen  
(202) 452-8926

Bread for the City  
NW : (202) 265-2400  
SE : (202) 561-8587

OSSE Homeless Education Program  
(202) 727-6436

Calvary Women's Shelter  
(202) 678-2341

So Others Might Eat (SOME)  
(202) 797-8806

Community of Hope  
(202) 526-0017

Thrive DC  
(202) 737-9311

Catholic Charities  
(202) 772-4300

Housing Up  
(202) 291-5535

Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless  
(202) 328-5500

Virginia Williams Family Resource Center  
(202) 526-0017