



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

DATE: February 3, 2023

TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Jillian Balow, Superintendent of Public Instruction

SUBJECT: Grant Application for Education of Homeless Children and Youth Programs

The *McKinney-Vento Act* (Title IX, Part A, of the *Every Student Succeeds Act*) authorizes the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) to award grants to local educational agencies for the purpose of facilitating the enrollment, attendance, and success in school of children and youth experiencing homelessness. The Office of the State Coordinator for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth contracts with Project HOPE-Virginia to carry-out this process. The 2023-2026 proposal package to apply for competitive funding under the *McKinney-Vento Act* is included with this memo. Programs will be approved for the three-year grant period; however, funds will be allocated on a yearly basis, contingent upon performance, evaluation, and continued funding at the federal level.

Federal funding for Virginia in 2023-2024 is anticipated to be approximately \$2,000,000, allowing subgrant awards for 30 to 35 proposals ranging from \$15,000 to \$150,000 per year. Multi-division/regional proposals are encouraged. Only one proposal is necessary for the three-year grant period. Grant awards are provided to ensure the enrollment, attendance, and success in school of children and youth experiencing homelessness. Grants will be awarded on a competitive basis, based on documented need and quality of the proposed program.

Local school divisions that wish to compete for funds should return a completed application proposal following the format outlined in the attached 2023-2026 McKinney-Vento Subgrant Proposal Packet. The completed proposals should be submitted electronically to Dr. Patricia Popp via [2023-26 MV Subgrant Application](#) by **5 p.m. on June 30, 2023**.

An optional webinar to discuss completion of the application will be held on **March 23, 2023, at 11 a.m.** The link for the webinar will be shared with all McKinney-Vento liaisons, and the webinar will be recorded for those unable to attend at that time.

If you have questions, please contact Patricia A. Popp, State Coordinator, Project HOPE-VA, at (757) 221-7776 or pxpopp@wm.edu.

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Attachment:

- A. [2023-2026 McKinney-Vento Subgrant Proposal Packet](#) (Word)