McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Program Job Description

Job Title: Homeless Liaison

Department: McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Program

Accountability: McKinney-Vento Liaison and Student Support Services

Job Summary: Provide services to the children and youth in the McKinney-Vento Program to help them overcome obstacles and barriers to receiving an education and to assist family with social service needs.

Duties and Responsibilities

- 1. Understand all federal guidelines as they pertain to the eligibility of children and provision of services for the McKinney-Vento Homeless Program.
- 2. Understand and have knowledge of the McKinney-Vento Act
- 3. Coordinate with designees, social workers and school staff in the district to assist homeless students with obtaining documents necessary to enter school
- 4. Coordinate with designees, social workers and school staff to assist with services and supplies that benefits children, youth and families
- 5. Monitor attendance and truancy of homeless students
- 6. Assist with medical needs i.e., glasses, immunizations, dental and mental health that impairs school performance
- 7. Check on enrollment records, and identify support needs, if Spec Ed –assist with IEP's and with parent/guardian questions. Advocate for the child if the evaluation process needs to be implemented
- 8. Contact the school social worker and assist with uniforms and clothing. Supply parent rights, back packs, so that student socially blends in with other students in their school
- 9. Assist with placing children in tutoring, mentoring or after school programs
- 10. Assist parents in motels or doubling up with referrals for food, clothing, and shelter
- 11. Network with community agencies to provide appropriate referrals to agencies, organizations, housing and health care
- 12. Assist families with resources and services to overcome homelessness
- 13. Advocate and expedites services for our homeless population
- 14. Provide the shelters with educational resources and information regarding school district resources
- 15. Utilize crisis intervention skills, case management and community resources knowledge to support the family to move toward greater family stabilization for better school performance when possible
- 16. Provide appropriate referrals to Child Protective Services as designated by law and school board policy
- 17. Maintain documentation on all services provided to children and youth