

December 28, 2025

YOUTH HOMELESS DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM (YHDP) APPLICATION

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) - Homeless Youth Services

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Full Name: Brenan [Last Name] Date of Birth: [DOB] Age: 17 years old Email: helphacrook@icloud.com Phone: [Phone Number] Social Security Number: [SSN]

CURRENT HOUSING STATUS:

Housing Situation: Experiencing homelessness (unaccompanied minor) Current Location: [Describe where staying - friends, shelter, street, etc.] Duration of Homelessness: [How long homeless] Previous Address: [Last stable housing if applicable] Reason for Homelessness: [Family conflict, abuse, abandonment, etc.]

UNACCOMPANIED HOMELESS YOUTH STATUS:

I am an unaccompanied homeless youth, meaning I am: - Not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian - Age 17 (minor) - Experiencing homelessness without family support

McKinney-Vento Status: Verified by [School Name] School District Liaison: [Liaison Name and Contact]

HOMELESS HISTORY:

First became homeless: [Date] Number of times homeless: [Number] Longest period of homelessness: [Duration] Places stayed while homeless: - [Friends' homes, shelters, cars, street, etc.]

SAFETY AND RISK ASSESSMENT:

Current safety concerns: [Physical safety, food insecurity, health issues, exploitation risk]
Immediate needs: Safe stable housing, food assistance, medical care, education support Risk factors: [Any relevant risks - mental health, substance use, victimization, etc.]

EDUCATION STATUS:

Currently enrolled in school: Yes/No School Name: [High School Name] Grade Level: 12th grade or Recent Graduate Attendance Status: [Regular, irregular due to homelessness]

Educational Goals: [Graduate high school, attend college, vocational training]

EMPLOYMENT AND INCOME:

Current Employment: Unemployed (homeless minor) Monthly Income: \$0 Sources of Support: None Work History: [Any previous employment] Barriers to Employment: Homelessness, age, lack of transportation, school attendance

HOUSING NEEDS AND PREFERENCES:

Type of Housing Needed: Youth transitional housing or rapid rehousing Preferred Location: [Houston area, near school, etc.] Special Accommodations Needed: [None, or specify]

Accessibility Needs: [None, or specify] Pet-friendly needed: Yes/No

SERVICES NEEDED:

Immediate Services: - Emergency shelter or transitional housing - Food assistance (SNAP application submitted) - Case management - Educational support - Employment assistance

Long-term Services: - Permanent housing assistance - Life skills training - Financial literacy education - Mental health counseling - College or career preparation

BARRIERS TO HOUSING:

Current barriers to obtaining housing: 1. Age (minor - 17 years old) 2. No income 3. No rental history 4. No co-signer or guarantor 5. Experiencing homelessness 6. No family support

LEGAL STATUS:

Emancipated Minor: [Yes/No] Legal Guardian: None (unaccompanied) Child Protective Services Involvement: [Yes/No - if applicable] Juvenile Justice Involvement: [None, or describe if applicable] Immigration Status: [U.S. Citizen or status]

HEALTH INFORMATION:

Health Insurance: [None, Medicaid, CHIP, or other] Current Health Conditions: [Describe any conditions requiring attention] Mental Health Needs: [Describe if applicable] Substance Use: [None, or describe if applicable] Medications Needed: [List if applicable] Disabilities: [None, or describe if applicable]

SUPPORT NETWORK:

Trusted Adults: [List any supportive adults - teachers, counselors, mentors] Peer Support: [Friends or peer connections] Community Connections: [Churches, organizations, programs] School Support: [Counselors, McKinney-Vento liaison]

GOALS AND PLANS:

Short-term Goals (3-6 months): 1. Secure stable housing through YHDP 2. Complete high school education 3. Obtain SNAP benefits for food security 4. Connect with case manager 5. Apply for college or vocational training

Long-term Goals (1-2 years): 1. Maintain stable permanent housing 2. Complete education (high school and post-secondary) 3. Secure employment 4. Achieve financial independence 5. Build healthy support network

PROGRAM PARTICIPATION COMMITMENT:

I commit to: - Working with assigned case manager regularly - Participating in required programs and services - Following housing program rules and guidelines - Attending school or employment training - Working toward independence and self-sufficiency - Being honest and communicative with program staff

CONSENT AND RELEASES:

I consent to: - Background check for housing placement - Sharing information with partner agencies for coordinated services - Communication between YHDP and school McKinney-Vento liaison - Case management and service coordination - Participation in program evaluation and outcome tracking

EMERGENCY CONTACTS:

Contact 1: [Name, relationship, phone] Contact 2: [School counselor name and phone] Contact 3: [Other trusted adult if available]

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

[Any additional information about your situation, needs, or circumstances that would help with housing placement]

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION ATTACHED:

1. School verification of McKinney-Vento homeless status 2. Personal identification (ID, birth certificate, or school ID) 3. Proof of age 4. School enrollment verification 5. Income verification (\$0 income) 6. Homelessness self-declaration

REFERRAL SOURCE:

Referred by: [School counselor, 211 Texas, self-referral, etc.] Referral Agency: [Agency name if applicable] Referral Contact: [Contact information]

SIGNATURE:

I certify that the information provided is true and accurate. I understand my rights and responsibilities as a participant in the YHDP program.

Signature: Brenan [Last Name] Date: December 28, 2025

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:

HARRIS COUNTY YHDP PROVIDERS:

1. Coalition for the Homeless Houston Phone: 713-739-7514 Website: CFTHHouston.org
2. Covenant House Texas Phone: 713-523-2231 Address: 1111 Lovett Blvd, Houston, TX 77006 Website: CovenantHouseTexas.org

3. Avenue CDC Phone: 713-874-1533 Services: Youth housing and support

4. The Montrose Center (LGBTQ youth) Phone: 713-529-0037 Website: MontroseCenter.org

5. HAY Center (Harris County youth services) Phone: 713-395-2634

COORDINATED ACCESS:

Houston Homeless Hotline: 713-468-4400 United Way 211: Dial 2-1-1 Online: 211Texas.org

SCHOOL-BASED REFERRAL:

Contact your school McKinney-Vento liaison who can connect you directly to YHDP services and expedite placement.

WHAT TO EXPECT:

1. Initial screening and assessment 2. Housing placement based on availability and needs 3. Case manager assignment 4. Service plan development 5. Connection to additional support services 6. Ongoing case management and support

TIMELINE:

Emergency shelter: Often same-day placement available Transitional housing: 1-2 weeks for placement Rapid rehousing: 2-4 weeks for placement process