The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act provides support for families experiencing housing instability. PHP is committed to supporting our families and promoting educational stability for students and families experiencing housing instability.

You may be eligible to receive support through the McKinney-Vento Act if your family is:

- Staying with friends or family because you lost housing.
- Living in a shelter, including transitional programs.
- Staying in motels because you cannot get your own home.
- Living on the streets, in a car, van, tent or other nonpermanent structure.
- Are unaccompanied youth not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian
- Have a primary nighttime residence not designed for, or used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings (storage units, garages, housing without essential utilities like heat, electricity, and/or running water, etc.)
- Are migratory children living in any of the above situations

Contact PHP's Social Worker to discuss available support for your family:

Sam Agoos, sagoos@philadelphiahebrewpublic.org, 267.567.2169

Information regarding your living arrangement is confidential and protected by the McKinney-Vento Act and Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). Any information disclosed will only be shared with your consent to essential school personnel.

Children and youth experiencing homelessness have the right to:

- Immediate enrollment in school, even if lacking paperwork normally required for enrollment. (i.e., immunizations, proof of residency)
- Attend school in their school of origin (if this is requested by the parent and is feasible) or in the school in the attendance area where the family or youth is currently residing
- Receive transportation to their school of origin
- Services comparable to those received by housed schoolmates, including transportation and supplemental educational services
- Attend school along with children not experiencing homelessness
- The posting of homeless students' rights in all schools and other places around the community

Community Resources:

- Food Distribution Sites: <u>https://www.phila.gov/food/</u>
- Eviction Protection and Legal Support: <u>PhillyTenant.Org</u>
- Eviction Protection and Legal Support: Fair Housing Commission (phila.gov)
- Utilities Assistance and Support for Housing Crises: UESF (uesfacts.org)