



# **FY22 McKinney-Vento Education for Homeless Children**

Technical Assistance Webinar

March 25, 2022

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## 1. Grant Overview

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## Grant Overview

- The McKinney-Vento Homeless Children and Youth Program was authorized under Title VII-B of the McKinney-Vento Assistance Act (42 USC 11431 et seq.). The McKinney-Vento program was designed to address the problems that homeless children and youth face in their efforts to enroll, attend, and succeed in school. Under this program, State Education Agencies must ensure that each homeless child and youth has equal access to the same free, appropriate public education, including public preschool education, as other children, and youth. Homeless children and youth should have access to the educational and other services that they need to enable them to meet the same challenging state student academic achievement standards to which all students are held. States and districts are required to review and undertake steps to revise laws, regulations, practices, or policies that may act as barriers for homeless children and youth as they attempt to enroll, attend, and succeed in school.

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## 2. Eligibility and Application Information

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## Eligibility

- Eligible Applicants

Regional Offices of Education (ROEs), Intermediate Service Centers (ISCs), school districts, public university laboratory schools approved by the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE), and charter schools that serve children age 3 to 21 are eligible to apply for the area in which they are located.

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## DUNS and SAM

- Dun and Bradstreet Universal Numbering System (DUNS)

<http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform>

- A valid DUNS number must be provided in an application.

- System for Award Management (SAM)

[www.sam.gov](http://www.sam.gov)

- Applicants must be registered in SAM. Registration is required prior to applying.
- Applicants must continue to maintain an active SAM registration with current information at all times.

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## Grant Award

- Annual grant awards will be available to fund programs under this NOFO/RFP in FY 2023. It is anticipated that individual grant awards will range from a minimum of \$ 200,000 to a maximum of \$ 1,100,000.





## Grant Award

Area 1:	\$ 653,465
Area 2:	\$ 280,947
Area 3:	\$ 205,399
Area 4:	\$ 257,011
Area 5:	\$ 340,356
Area 6:	\$ 464,684
Area 7:	\$ 1,098,136

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## Grant Award

- Applications scoring below 80 will not be funded.
- There is no matching requirement for this grant.



## Submissions

**Proposals accepted no later than 4 p.m. on April 29, 2022.**

- Electronic Submission: Scanned into PDF with all supporting documents and signatures to the ISBE Attachment Manager at <https://sec1.isbe.net/attachmgr/default.aspx>.  
\*Select Ulmer Katherine as the recipient in the drop-down menu.
- Mail Submissions:
  - Mail the original and one copy/an electronic copy of the proposal on a USB flash drive to the address below.

Illinois State Board of Education  
Attn: Kate Ulmer  
100 North First Street  
Springfield, IL 62777

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## Award Notice

- Successful applicants will receive a Notice of Award via email approximately 90 days after the application deadline.
- After the appeal timeframe has ended, awardees will receive additional information from the program area that includes the next steps for finalizing the grant.
- Monies spent prior to programmatic approval are done so at the applicant's own risk.

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## 3. Program Description

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## Program Description

The purpose of the grant is to fund one lead area liaison (LAL) in each of the six areas of the state and CPS, as designated by the Illinois Association of Regional Superintendents of Schools, to assist school district homeless liaisons in each area in implementing the requirements of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

- Each LAL will be responsible for awarding subgrants to school districts in its area through a competitive process to enable school districts showing the greatest need to establish local programs in meeting the requirements of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

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## Program Objectives

- The objective of the program is to address the challenges that homeless children and youth have faced in enrolling, attending, and succeeding in school. It must be ensured that each homeless child and youth has equal access to the same free and appropriate public education, including preschool education, as all other children and youth. Barriers to homeless children's education must be removed to prepare them for future success.
  - a) Explain process of providing information and assistance to homeless families and unaccompanied youth in a timely manner.
  - b) Explain process to collect data on other children under the age of 6 and identify the need for referral to Birth to 3 programs and other early childhood programs.
  - c) Describe how it will be ensured that school districts within the area are following the Dispute Resolution Process and that stakeholders understand the process.
  - d) Describe the process used to review school policies and practices that may act a barrier to homeless children and youth.



## Performance Measures

- The subgrantee will provide 12 training or opportunities for professional development in McKinney-Vento training for all district McKinney-Vento liaisons and special groups.
- The subgrantee will arrange three Continuum of Care Consortia service providers.

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## Targets

- The subgrantee will provide 10 training or opportunities for professional development in McKinney-Vento training for all district McKinney-Vento liaisons.
- The subgrantee will arrange two Continuum of Care Consortia service providers.

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## Performance Standards

- The subgrantee will provide eight training or opportunities for professional development in McKinney-Vento training for all district McKinney-Vento liaisons.
- The subgrantee will arrange one Continuum of Care Consortia service provider.

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## Deliverables and Milestones

- The subgrantees will provide a report showing the delivery of professional development to the McKinney-Vento liaisons in school districts and ROEs/ISCs within their area quarterly and provide qualitative and quantitative information from participants involved in the training.
- The subgrantee will monitor and verify the accuracy of local school district webpages and liaison information at the beginning and in mid-school year increments.
- The subgrantees will convene community advisory groups on homelessness. The advisory groups at minimum must include parents, students, educators, and area social service agency providers.

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## Deliverables and Milestones

- The subgrantees will participate in an Individual Student Success Pilot.
- The subgrantees will work with ISBE Community Partnership award recipients in the development of action plans and their implementation.
- The subgrantees will participate in Area SEL/Trauma HUB trainings.
- Professional development must be provided to LEA special groups (e.g., secretaries, early childhood staff, teachers, and administrators) by the subgrant liaisons. Sign-in sheets must be submitted to ISBE quarterly.



## Deliverables and Milestones

- In partnership with ISBE, subgrantees will plan and host statewide and regional McKinney-Vento Conferences and workshops.
- Attendance is required at ISBE professional development and meetings.
- An annual grant periodic performance report must be submitted via IWAS.



## 4. Funding Information

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## Funding Information

- Public Act 102-0017 appropriated \$3.3 million in General Revenue funds to homeless education.
- Cost sharing or matching is not required
- The program is an unrestricted program

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## Funding Information

Grant funds may be used for the following:

- Salaries and benefits (professional and clerical)
- Clerical services
- Materials and supplies
- Printing
- Postage
- Telephone and fax
- Cost for travel for the purpose of meeting with subgrantees and delivering services to school districts located in the area served
- Training costs (material, travel, and lodging)
- Costs pertaining to attendance at statewide and annual national meetings and community and organization educational presentations

The applicant must include in its proposed budget all anticipated costs for travel expenses, fees, and other out-of-pocket expenses that align with the State of Illinois travel guide.

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## 5. Reporting Requirements

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## Reporting Requirements

- **Periodic financial reporting** should be completed via the IWAS system and are due 20 days following the quarter report.
- **Programmatic reporting** should be completed at a minimum of annually via the IWAS system.

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# Reporting Requirements

## Additional Requirements –

1. Quarterly professional development reports will be submitted to [homeless@isbe.net](mailto:homeless@isbe.net)
2. Grant project manager and fiscal manager will be identified, and their names will be submitted to ISBE within 30 days of award notice.
3. Partnership memorandum(s) of understanding will be completed and submitted to ISBE within 30 days of award notice.
4. A complete program evaluation report will be submitted to ISBE's point contact person within 30 days of the grant's completion.

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## 6. Content and Form of Application Submission

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## Content and Form of Application Submission

- Applicants must use the ISBE-provided [application forms](#) to apply.
- Applications must be submitted in the format outlined on page 12 of NOFO/RFP to be considered complete.
- A complete application will include all required components.
- Use the checkboxes on page 12 of the NOFO/RFP to assemble your completed application.
- Applications must not exceed the maximum pages for each form.

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## Program Narrative Requirements

- Applicant should address all of the following areas:
  - Needs
  - Competitive Grants
  - Lead Area Liaison Duties
  - Coordination of Services

*See rubric on pages 15-16 of the RFP for details to include.*

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## 7. Application Review

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## Application Review

- ISBE is required to design and execute a merit-based review and selection process for applications.
  - Please refer to the ISBE merit-based review policy at [https://www.isbe.net/Documents/Merit\\_Based\\_Review\\_Policy.pdf](https://www.isbe.net/Documents/Merit_Based_Review_Policy.pdf) for more information.
- The selection of the grantees will be based upon the overall quality of the application.

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# Criteria

Selection criteria and point values are as follows:

Not Provided	Very Limited	Somewhat Limited	Moderate	Strong	Very Strong
0	1	2	3	4	5
Proposal requirements are absent.	Proposal provides very few details to meet the project outcomes.	Proposal is unclear and lacks enough evidence to meet project outcomes.	Proposal provides moderate detail and conveys potential to meet project outcomes.	Proposal provides good detail and strong evidence to meet project outcomes.	Proposal exceeds expectations and provides a solid plan to meet project outcomes.

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## Sections

1. Needs Assessment (25 points)\*
  2. Competitive Grants(10 points)\*
  3. Lead Liaison Duties(20 points)\*
  4. Coordination of Services (15 points)\*
  5. Program Objectives (20 points)
  6. Budget (10 points)
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**Total points possible: 100**

*\*Address each section when writing narrative.*

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## Reviewer Comments

- Following the notification of grant awards, an applicant may request copies of their reviewer comments and scores by emailing [homeless@isbe.net](mailto:homeless@isbe.net).

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# Thank You

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For questions, please contact

[homeless@isbe.net](mailto:homeless@isbe.net)

Questions will be compiled in a FAQ document and posted on ISBE's Homeless webpage .

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