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STUDENT INFORMATION

 Last Name First Name M.I.

 NTC Student ID#

**2020-2021 HOMELESS/UNACCOMPANIED YOUTH VERIFICATION
 for the purposes of Federal Financial Aid**

You have submitted a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) indicating that you meet the description of the student status category indicated above. To enable us to continue processing your financial aid application, an authorized individual must fill out this form. **Once completed, scan and upload the form in your Verification portal or provide the form to the Financial Aid Office for uploading.**

I am providing this letter of verification as a (check one):

- McKinney-Vento School District Liaison (name of district): _____
- Director or designee of a HUD-funded shelter (name of shelter): _____
- Director or designee of a RHYA-funded shelter (name of shelter): _____

As per the College Cost Reduction and Access Act (Public Law 110-84), I am authorized to verify this student's living situation. No further verification by the Financial Aid Administrator is necessary. Should you have additional questions or need more information about this student, please contact me at the number listed below.

This form is to confirm that _____ was: (check one of the options below)
 (name of student)

- an unaccompanied homeless youth after July 1, 2019.
 This means that, after July 1, 2019, _____ was living in a homeless situation, as defined by Section 725 of the McKinney-Vento Act, and was not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian.
- an unaccompanied, self-supporting youth at risk of homelessness after July 1, 2019.
 This means that, after July 1, 2019, _____ is not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian, provides for his/her own living expenses entirely on his/her own, and is at risk of losing his/her housing.

Current Mailing Address of Student (if none, please list name, phone number, and mailing address of current contact):

Authorized Signature	Date
Print Name	Telephone Number
Title	
Agency	

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT UNACCOMPANIED HOMELESS YOUTH

Who are Unaccompanied Homeless Youth? Unaccompanied homeless youth are young people who lack safe, stable housing and who are not in the care of a parent or guardian. They may have run away from home or been forced to leave by their parents. Unaccompanied youth live in a variety of temporary situations, including shelters, the homes of friends or relatives, cars, campgrounds, public parks, abandoned buildings, motels, and bus or train stations.

Millions of youth run away from their homes each year. Generally, youth leave home due to severe dysfunction in their families, including circumstances that put their safety and well-being at risk. Unfortunately, physical and sexual abuse in the home is common. Unaccompanied youth do not receive financial support from their parents and do not have access to parental information.

Who are McKinney-Vento School District Liaisons? Under subtitle VII-B of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, every school district is required to designate a liaison for students experiencing homelessness. Homeless liaisons have a number of legal responsibilities under the Act, including identifying youth who meet the definition of homeless and are unaccompanied. The education subtitle of the McKinney-Vento Act is overseen by the U.S. Department of Education. For more information, see: <https://www2.ed.gov/programs/homeless/legislation.html>

What are HUD-funded Shelters? The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) administers funding for homeless shelters and services under Title IV of the McKinney-Vento Act. These funds are distributed to communities through a competitive grant process. For more information, see: <https://www.hud.gov/>

What are RHYA-funded Shelters? The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services administers the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act programs. These programs provide funding for Basic Centers, Transitional Living Programs, and Street Outreach Programs that serve runaway and other unaccompanied homeless youth. For more information, see: <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/>