

## Resources for Families

### HUM Center

340 North Street, Daytona Beach, Florida  
(386) 252-9400

### Volusia/Flagler County Coalition for the Homeless

P.O. Box 444, DeLand, Florida  
(386) 279-0029

### Volusia County Human Services

Daytona Beach – (386) 254-4675  
DeLand – (386) 736-5956  
New Smyrna Beach – (386) 423-3309  
Orange City – (386) 775-5204

### United Way of Volusia-Flagler Counties, Inc.

First Call for Help – 211

### Florida Department of Education

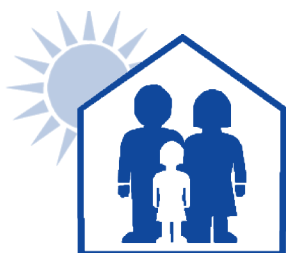
Homeless Education Program  
(850) 245-0505

### Florida Coalition for the Homeless

(727) 809-1980 or  
[www.fchonline.org](http://www.fchonline.org)

### Florida Department of Children and Families

[www.dcf.state.fl.us/homelessness](http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/homelessness)



## National Resources

National Association for the Education of  
Homeless  
Children and Youth  
(866) 862-2562 or [www.naehcy.org](http://www.naehcy.org)

National Center for Homeless Education  
(800) 308-2145 or [www.serve.org/nche](http://www.serve.org/nche)

National Law Center  
on Homelessness & Poverty  
(202) 638-2535 or [www.nlchp.org](http://www.nlchp.org)

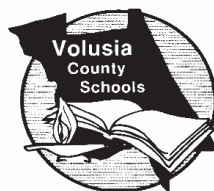
National Coalition for the Homeless  
(202) 462-4822 or  
[www.nationalhomeless.org](http://www.nationalhomeless.org)

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For more information contact:

### District Homeless Education Liaison Department of ESE/Student Services

Jennifer Watley (386) 255-6475 x20856  
Halifax Area – (386) 255-6475  
Southeast Area – (386) 427-5223  
Westside Area – (386) 734-7190



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DeLand Administrative Complex  
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DeLand, Florida 32721

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## ***What Families***

## ***In Transition Need***

## ***To Know About***

## ***Public Education***

*I wish for a home and  
food.*



Volusia County Schools  
Student Services Department  
Homeless Education

## McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Act

Local school districts must ensure that homeless children and youth have equal access to a free, appropriate public education. Homeless children and youth are defined as those who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate night-time residence. This includes those who are:

- sharing housing due to loss of housing or economic hardship;
- living in motels, hotels, camping grounds, or dilapidated trailers due to lack of alternative housing;
- living in emergency or transitional housing;
- living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, or bus and train stations;
- living in a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular place to sleep; and
- migrant students, living in a situation described above.



## Your Children's Rights

The federally-funded McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act established educational rights and protections for students experiencing homelessness. Homeless children and youth are entitled to:

- enroll in school without having a permanent address.
- enroll and attend school while arranging for required school records or documents.
- remain in the school attended before becoming homeless.
- receive special programs and services for which they are eligible.
- attend school and participate in school programs with students who are not homeless.
- receive assistance with transportation to school.



## When You Move

Becoming homeless is highly disruptive to students in many ways. Whenever possible, use the following guidelines when moving is necessary.

- Inform your child's teacher, guidance counselor, and principal that you are moving and give them the new address.
- Let school officials know if you want your child to remain in the same school.
- Ask for a copy of your child's school records, including immunizations.
- Safeguard and keep a copy of school records, birth certificates, and all health and immunization records accessible.
- Have a reliable person keep a second copy of these important records.
- Enroll your child(ren) in school as soon as possible.

## Ask About School Services

- Breakfast and lunch programs
- Transportation
- School supplies

