

# Project REACH/Fostering

Realizing the Educational Achievement of Children Experiencing Homelessness and Foster Care

Office of Title I Federal Programs

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**Project REACH** is a Saint Paul Public Schools shelter and street-based program that promotes school stability and academic success of homeless children and youth. Our program staff serve pre-K and school age children who are in temporary housing situations.

**Fostering Connections** is a Saint Paul Public Schools program that assists with the education stability of students placed in out-of-home care.

## If a family is experiencing homelessness, they should call **211** to access shelter options in Ramsey County

- Coordinated Access to Housing and Shelter will assess the situation to help find the best housing options
- Check out <https://www.headinghomeramsey.org/> for updated information

## If there is a youth experiencing homelessness, they should call **651-444-5757**

- Coordinated Entry for Youth and Singles will assess the situation to help find the best housing options
- Go to the YSN app for available shelter, food, and other resources

### Stay connected!

- "Like" us on Facebook to receive updates and articles that relate to our work
- Check out our website [www.spps.org/projectreach](http://www.spps.org/projectreach) for more information

## Contact Project REACH to find out more:

- Project REACH and Second Harvest have partnered to provide food to families through Food +You

## Please remind parents to enroll their child in summer school

- We want to make sure that any students experiencing homelessness get full access to all the academic opportunities
- Students automatically qualify for summer school (including credit recovery) and after school EDL services

## Title I hired a Counselor on Special Assignment to seek partial credit for students that are experiencing homelessness and are highly mobile

- Contact Becky [Rebecca.valek@spps.org](mailto:Rebecca.valek@spps.org) for more information

*Thank you to everyone who donated to our blanket and coat drive and through Give MN . We are grateful for our amazing community of support*

## Project REACH

- 1597 Students eligible for McKinney Vento services
  - 646 (40%) Students in grades 1-5
  - 697 (44%) Students in grades 6-12
- 1810 Students served by Project REACH staff
- 1069 (67%) Students "doubled up" with family or friends due to lack of housing
- 267 (17%) Students live in shelters
- 1138 (71%) Students identify as African American
- 1474 (92%) Students identify as African American, Asian or Pacific Islander, American Indian or Hispanic
- 133 (8%) Students are unaccompanied youth
- 175 Students received Tutor sessions at shelter sites

## Fostering Connections

- 253 Students in Foster Care
- 155 (61%) Students identify as African American
- 215 (85%) Students identify as African American, Asian or Pacific Islander, American Indian or Hispanic
- 83 (33%) Students in grades 1-5



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