



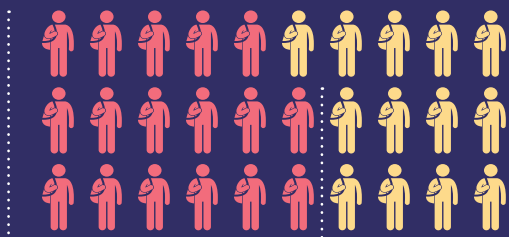
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## Rural Homeless Students Not Receiving Their Fair Share of Federal Funding

For School Year 2016–17

Rural homeless students are less likely to be covered by federal funding, meaning they attend school in districts that don't receive McKinney-Vento funds.\*

### 162,361 homeless students in rural America



**58%** of these students are not covered by McKinney-Vento funding.

### Disproportionate allocation of funds



**42%**  
Coverage in Rural Area



**67%**  
Coverage in Non-rural Areas

For every 100 non-rural homeless students covered, only 63 rural homeless students are covered.

## Is the method by which funding is calculated fair to rural homeless students?

Nearly **95,000** Homeless Students

in rural America at risk of not getting the services they need.

They attended school in over 2,600 rural school districts across 46 states.



Nearly **7,000** students were located in eight states that distributed no sub-grants to any of their rural school districts.

## How Do McKinney-Vento Funds Help Homeless Students?

\*School districts are eligible for McKinney-Vento funds, which are allocated by the federal government and distributed by state governments specifically for providing support services to homeless students. Examples of services include:



Transportation



Tutors and other academic supports



Specialized training and professional development for teachers and other school staffs



Basic school supplies