

YOUTH
HOMELESSNESS
DEMONSTRATION
PROJECT

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Kinship-

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#### ~PARENT COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM~

#### HI-SET/ Adult Basic Education ~

Our HiSet Program is still seeking a Tutor to fill our open position. For the time being, if we receive referrals for students seeking information regarding this educational option, we will be connecting them with the BCC HiSet Program.

## Grandparents Raising Grandkids/Kinship (a program within āissṗoōmmoŏtsiiyō•ṗ) Kinship Program & Aging Mastery Program-

We are making contact with our Kinship families and ensuring they have access to a computer to be able to register students. Most families have found it to be most helpful to contact the school secretaries for assistance. We have many kinship families who are also eligible for the McKinney Vento Program. We will be partnering with the MSU Extension Healthy Aging and MT Kinship programs to offer another Caregiver Respite Retreat Day on September 24th, 2025. Information is posted on our school website, Facebook page, and I've made contacts with the Caregivers who were not able to attend our spring retreat.

We identified #188 students experiencing homelessness for the academic year 2024/2025 SY.

### McKinney Vento (MV):

The rest of this month and through the first part of September we will be doing a lot of outreach and visiting our community partners to provide yearly information and education about our McKinney Vento Program as well as general PCOP information. Our on-line registration system has been notifying me via email when families are self-reporting their living situations which, I'm hopeful, will assist us with identifying families who could benefit from our services and support. We will also be providing Professional Development to each building and department as we require the support from all district staff to ensure our most vulnerable and at-risk students receive access to these supports and services.

We identified #14 students who were unaccompanied and experiencing homelessness for the academic year 2024/2025 SY.

### Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project (YHDP):

This school year, Tamara has confirmed 5 returning students who are unaccompanied and experiencing homelessness (UHY). We are going to focus on early identification efforts so that we can provide the necessary support immediately to these students and ensure their success.

The primary goal of the YHDP is to utilize a coordinated community approach to address and end youth homelessness.

The specific goals of the grant are:

- 1) Assist UHY with identifying stable housing options measured by the number of Youth and Young Adults (YYA) living in permanent and stable housing situations;
- 2) Assist UHY with establishing permanent connections measured by the number of YYA connected to positive social networks;
- 3) Connect UHY to Education/Employment measured by the number of YYA connected to employment/educational pathways and
- 4) Social-emotional well-being measured by the number of YYA connected with cultural, social, and emotional growth opportunities.

These goals will be obtained by working in partnership with youth and young adults (YYA) experiencing homelessness, their families of choice, hosts, and various community organizations and partners.

# **Food Pantry's & Clothing Closets:**

With the collaboration of building Principal's, we are currently in the process of confirming and stocking the clothing closets.

We will also be applying for the Town Pump Food Grant to stock the food pantries at the Middle School, High School, and William Buffalo Hide Academy. The elementary schools will refer students to the weekend backpack program as we move forward.

We look forward to serving our students, their families, and our community! May we all have a safe, healthy, and successful school year!:)

PCOP Staff, Irene and Tamara