



Temporary Living Assistance Resources

The McKinney-Vento Act

The McKinney-Vento Act defines homeless children and youths as individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.

This definition also includes children and youth who are:

- sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason (sometimes referred to as *doubled-up*);
 - living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to a lack of alternate adequate accommodations;
 - living in emergency or transitional shelters;
 - abandoned in hospitals;
 - awaiting foster care placement
 - living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings;
- **Also included are:**
 - Children and youth that have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.
 - Migratory children who qualify as homeless because they are children who are living in similar circumstances listed above

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Youth Employment

Youth employment opportunity program through the employment development department (EDD).

The Youth Employment Opportunity Program (YEOP) provides special services to youth between the ages of 15 and 25 to assist them in achieving their educational and vocational goals. While working with peer advisors, youth clients interact with professional individuals who have similar paths, perspectives, and educational goals by providing referrals to supportive services, workshops, career coaching, employment preparation, and other training and community outreach efforts.

For more information or to find a site near you, check out the [Youth Employment Opportunity Program's website](#).

Job Corps is a FREE job training program for young adults ages 16-24 years old. They connect you with the skills and education needed to get the career you want. Please visit, <https://www.jobcorps.gov/>, for more information.

Meal Support

The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) is a federally-funded, state-administered program. Children 18 years and younger may receive free meals and snacks through SFSP. At most sites, children receive either one or two reimbursable meals each day. Certain camps and sites may be approved to serve up to three meals to each child, each day.



Find a meal service site near where you live, below. You may also text “Summer Meals” to 97779 or call 1-866-348-6479 to find a site near you.

For more information or to find a site near you, check out the [SFSP's website](#).

CalFresh: A nutrition program that can help households buy healthy food in CA.

For more information about summer meal sites and locations to pick up meals, please visit: [Food Resources by County](#)

Programs To Help With Shelter

- **HUD.GOV - Find a Shelter**
 - The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development’s (HUD) Find Shelter tool provides information about housing, shelter, health care, and clothing resources in communities across the country. Click on one of the categories above, enter your location, and click Search to get started.
- **Casa Youth Shelter**
 - Provides emergency temporary shelter for youth aged 12-17.. We are here as a resource for you and are available 24/7 to answer questions, provide resources, and offer shelter to youth in crisis.
- **24-Hour Crisis Hotline (800) 914-CASA (2272)**
 - For more information or to find a site near you, check out the [Casa Youth Shelter's website](#)
- **Find help with rent and utilities**
 - If you’re looking for help with housing costs, you’re not alone. State and local organizations are distributing federal rental assistance in their communities. The money can help landlords and renters who are struggling to keep up with rent and other bills. To Learn more about these programs, please click on the link below.
 - [Find rental assistance programs for your location | Consumer Financial Protection Bureau](#)
- **Safe Parking (Los Angeles County)**
 - The Safe Parking Program provides vehicle dwellers with a safe and legal place to park and sleep at night.
 - **Who is eligible for the safe parking program?**
 - Safe Parking Programs may be available to persons who meet the following criteria:
 - Individual or family who is experiencing homelessness or actively fleeing domestic violence, living in their vehicle, and has an operable vehicle
 - **What services does the safe parking program provide?**
 - Access to park a vehicle in a safe parking lot with onsite security and restrooms.
 - Access to have a Coordinated Entry System (CES) assessment completed.
 - Referrals and linkages to community resources.
 - Access to case management, financial assistance and benefit connection.
 - Site amenities may vary according to each site.
 - For more information or to find a site near you, check out [LAHSA.org](#)

Additional Resources

- **Legal Hotline for Youth**



- **California Low Cost Internet Programs**
- **211.org**
 - What is 2-1-1?
 - 2-1-1 is a free and confidential service that helps people across the U.S and many parts of Canada find the local resources they need. We're here for you 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
 - To contact, please call 211
- **Laura's House**
 - Laura's House's target population is families experiencing the effects of domestic violence in need of emergency shelter, support, education and counseling. Laura's House operates on the philosophy that domestic violence is multi-dimensional and often cyclical in nature and must be addressed through a range of interventions. Our goal is to provide supportive service programs that will prepare our clients and their children to live independent and violence free lives, with an emphasis on education and prevention for future generations.
 - At Laura's House, they provide many services, please review to see if they can help your family **HERE**.
 - **Crisis Hotline Support**
 - Available 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week (866) 498-1511 (toll free)
 - (949) 498-1511
 - Resources, referrals and safety planning.