OUR NAMES ARE:

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AND WE ARE...

Navigating Homelessness During COVID-19
[Webinar] Thursday, 4/30, 4PM ET
HAVE A QUESTION?

This webinar is for you. Enter your questions in the questions pane and click ‘Send’.

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HELLO!

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SchoolHouse Connection works to overcome homelessness through education. We provide strategic advocacy and practical assistance in partnership with schools, early childhood programs, institutions of higher education, service providers, families, and youth.

- **Website**
- Federal and state policy advocacy
- Q&A from our inbox
- Webinars and implementation tools
- Youth leadership and scholarships
Participants from this webinar will:

1. Hear the perspectives of three SHC Youth Leadership & Scholarship students who are navigating college during the coronavirus pandemic

2. Learn what higher education practitioners, service providers, and others can do to better support students experiencing homelessness during this time

3. Have the opportunity to ask questions to our youth panel about their experiences and their insights
Pre-COVID-19: K-12 Homelessness at Record Levels
2017-2018 Data from U.S. Department of Education
About 3.5 million young adults (18-25 yo), about 1 in 10 experienced homelessness on their own over the course of a year. 1 out of 30 youth between the ages of 13-17. 29% of the 18-25 year olds who had been homeless in the previous 12 months were enrolled in college or an education program.
WHY HIGHER EDUCATION?

Health & Well-Being
High school and college graduation are linked to other important indicators of health and well-being.

Afford Housing
Postsecondary education is necessary for a job that pays enough to afford housing and avoid homelessness.
About 1 in 6

According to a recent poll by the Art & Science Group, about 1 in 6 of four-year college bound students appear to be at the point of giving up on the idea of attending a college or university in the fall.

69% of Students

From a survey of over 1,000 high school seniors, 69% of students foresee COVID-19 impacting their higher education financial situation.
IMPACT OF COVID-19 AND HIGHER EDUCATION

83% of all students intend to enroll in the fall term as originally planned before COVID-19

10% are now uncertain if they will do so

COVID-19 IMPACT ON STUDENTS’ FALL ENROLLMENT PLANS

- Intend to enroll in the fall as originally planned
- Planning to enroll in the fall to make up classes not completed due to COVID-19
- Uncertain about fall enrollment because of COVID-19
- No longer planning on enrolling in the fall because of COVID-19
- Was not planning to enroll in the fall and the plan is unchanged

* Survey conducted by The American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO) and the American Council on Education (ACE)
YOUTH LEADERSHIP AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

● Provides scholarships to youth who have experienced homelessness to ensure their completion of a post-secondary education program.

● Offers young people meaningful opportunities to engage in advocacy, while providing sustained support services to help ensure graduation and success in life.

● Assists youth with financial aid processes, mental health advocacy and referrals, professional legal advocacy and referrals, and assistance in locating and establishing local contacts for general support and services.

● Builds a stable peer and adult support network for recipients, before, during, and after their college careers, and into their transition into the workforce.

Scholarship LIVE May 1st, 2020
Let’s Meet Our SHC Scholars

Destiny

Lorinda

Hello

Jose
Why is higher education important to you?
Please share your college experience since mid-March when campus closures started happening.
Questions?
What are some of the challenges you've faced/are still currently facing during this time?
What do you wish you could tell higher education professionals?
Any advice for current college students going through similar experiences?
Questions?
COVID-19 and Homelessness:

- Higher Education Resource: COVID-19 Response for Youth Who Are Homeless or in Foster Care
- FAQ on COVID-19 and Homelessness
- Weekly Virtual Chats on COVID-19 and Homelessness
Resources

- Youth Homelessness in Higher Education Overview
- Tip Sheets for Helping Homeless Youth Succeed in College
- Higher Education Webinars
- Chapin Hall Voices of Youth Count
- Art and Science Student Poll
- Cirkled in poll
- COVID-19 and Homelessness: Strategies for Schools and Early Learning Programs
- AACRAO, ACE Survey
- Beyond the Food Pantry: COVID-19 Response for Students Who are Homeless or With Experience in Foster Care
- COVID-19 FAQ Document
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