

# The Homeless Children and Youth Act

## Social Media Toolkit - August 2023

### Social Media Images:

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### Twitter Posts

#### Image:

**Tweet:** Child & youth #homelessness is increasing in the US — 1.2 million children & youth were identified as #homeless by @usedgov in the 2021-22 SY. The bipartisan Homeless Children & Youth Act would reduce barriers in accessing critical services. Support #HCYA

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Family and youth #homelessness are at record levels. The bipartisan Homeless Children and Youth Act would allow communities to confront this crisis--ask your Members of Congress to cosponsor:

<http://bitly.ws/cLKG>.

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**Tweet:** Children and youth experiencing invisible forms of #homelessness — such as staying in motels — have equally poor educational & health outcomes as those living in shelters. Tell Congress: cosponsor #HCYA to support our most vulnerable children & youth: <http://bitly.ws/cLKG>

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**Tweet:** Children and youth whose #homelessness has been verified by 1 of 8 specific federal programs would be eligible for @HUDgov #homeless assistance under the bipartisan Homeless Children and Youth Act. Rally behind #HCYA and tell your Members of Congress to cosponsor it: <http://bitly.ws/cLKG>

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**Tweet:** #HCYA makes children & youth who have been verified as #homeless by specific federal programs eligible for HUD homeless assistance. These are among the most vulnerable children, at great risk of trafficking and abuse. Ask your Members of Congress to cosponsor: <http://bitly.ws/cLKG>

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**Tweet:** By allowing communities to assess and serve the most vulnerable children and youth, future #homelessness — and the costs associated with it — will decrease. Spread the word and support the Homeless Children and Youth Act: <http://bitly.ws/cLKG>. #HCYA

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**Tweet:** [@INSERT REP HERE], [@INSERT SEN HERE] please cosponsor #HCYA, which provides policymakers and communities with a complete picture of homelessness, by expanding @HUDgov's annual report to Congress and increasing the visibility of #homeless children, youth and families!

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**Tweet:** Thank You [@INSERT REP HERE], [@INSERT SEN HERE] for your co-sponsorship of the Homeless Children and Youth Act. We are grateful for your leadership in helping some of the most vulnerable #homeless children and youth get access to assistance. #HCYA

**Tweet:** "I did not sleep in a tent, or on a park bench, but I was still #homeless. There are many students & people who are living just like me & deserve to be validated in their homeless status. We have already lost so much. We deserve to be recognized." #HCYA: <http://bit.ly/2LHVjHT>

**Facebook Posts**

**Post:** The Homeless Children and Youth Act is a bipartisan bill supported by a wide range of organizations, including service providers and educators who work most closely with families and youth experiencing homelessness. For more information, visit <http://bitly.ws/kgra>.

**Post:** "I did not sleep in a tent, or on a park bench, but I was still homeless. There are many students and people who are living just like me and deserve to be validated in their homeless status. We have already lost so much. We deserve to be recognized." The Homeless Children and Youth Act would help youth like Destiny by amending HUD's definition of homelessness to reflect the lived experiences of homeless children, youth, and families.

**Link:** <http://bit.ly/2LHVjHT>