

ARP HOMELESS II FUNDS
Application

Please complete this application and provide the requested information to apply for ARP Homeless II funds. Follow all instructions and have the application signed by the appropriate authority at the local education agency (LEA). Return the application by email to Jessica.Hickman@ade.arkansas.gov by 5:00 pm on January 11, 2022.

A completed application is required to allow for reimbursement of funds.

Applicant LEA information or Consortium Lead LEA:

LEA name:	
Superintendent/Director Name	
Superintendent/Director Cell Phone Number	
Superintendent/Director Email Address	
Homeless Liaison/Consortium Lead	
Homeless Liaison/Consortium Lead Cell Phone Number	
Homeless Liaison/Consortium Lead Email Address	

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS: (If the application includes more than one LEA, the information above should reflect the LEA that will take responsibility for the budget and for reporting. The information below should reflect the needs, plan for implementation, evaluation and budget for the consortium)

Please answer the following questions:

1. Need

1a. Provide the total number of identified children and youth experiencing homelessness in the LEA(s), preschool through high school as reported as of Oct. 1 (Find reports [here](#)) :

LEAs	

Total	Total

1b. Briefly describe how the needs assessment process was implemented to determine the needs of students experiencing homelessness. (Liaisons are likely to be able to establish basic needs through simple descriptions and data such as attendance, academic, and social/emotional)

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1c. Describe the priorities for meeting the needs of students experiencing homelessness. (Priorities should match 4a. Evaluation)

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2. Coordination

2a. List the state or local agencies that the LEA(s) will coordinate with to meet identified needs of students.

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2b. Does the LEA(s) plan to award contracts to community-based organizations to identify historically underserved populations such as rural children and youth, Tribal children and youth, students of color, children and youth with disabilities, English learners, LGBTQ+ youth, and pregnant or parenting youth, and connect them to educationally related support and wraparound services? If so, describe those plans in 3-5 sentences and include the name of the community-based organization(s).

Name of Community-based organization	Description of support and services

3. Quality

3a. How will the LEA(s) use ARP Homeless II funds to identify and provide outreach to children and youth experiencing homelessness?

3b. How will the LEA(s) use ARP Homeless II funds to connect students experiencing homelessness and their families to enrollment of summer learning and enrichment programs, and to engage students and their families in on-site learning during the school year?

3c. How will the LEA(s) use ARP Homeless II funds to retain students experiencing homelessness? NOTE: In the context of the McKinney-Vento Act, the term retention does not mean grade retention. Rather, it refers to keeping students connected to school, attending, and progressing forward toward high school graduation.

3d. How will the LEA(s) use ARP Homeless II funds to promote educational success of students experiencing homelessness?

3e. Does the LEA(s) plan to provide services specifically for preschool-aged children experiencing homelessness and their families? If yes, please describe services.

3f. Does the LEA(s) plan to provide services specifically for unaccompanied youth? If yes, please describe services. The McKinney-Vento Act defines *unaccompanied youth* as “a homeless child or youth not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian” [42 USC § 11434a(6)].

3g. Provide a description of policies and procedures that the LEA will implement to ensure that activities carried out by the LEA will not isolate or stigmatize homeless children and youth.

3h. How will the LEA(s) promote meaningful involvement of parents, guardians, or caregivers in the activities and services proposed?

4. Evaluation

4a. How will the district/consortium evaluate the impact of the subgrant funds?
(Evaluation should align with 1c. Priorities)

Select all that apply:	Evaluation Topics	Method for Evaluation
	Data showing increases in the number of identified McKinney-Vento students	
	Data showing increases in the attendance rates of identified McKinney-Vento students	
	Data showing increases in academic achievement of identified McKinney-Vento students	
	Data showing increases in the graduation rates of identified McKinney-Vento students	
	Data showing decreases in school discipline rates of identified McKinney-Vento students	
	Data showing increases in the number of identified McKinney-Vento children under age six enrolled in early childhood education	
	Data showing increases in the number of identified McKinney-Vento students transitioning to post-secondary education	
	Data showing increased parent/guardian/caregiver involvement	
	Other (please describe)	

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5. Budget

5a. What other federal funds will the LEA(s) use to support the identification, enrollment, retention, and educational success of children and youth experiencing homelessness specifically?

Select all that apply:	Funding Source	Funding Amount
	Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funds (signed into law March 2020)	
	Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act (December 2020)	
	American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act funds (March 2021)	
	Title I, Part A funds reserved for children and youth experiencing homelessness	
	Other funds and services available to children, youth, and families experiencing homelessness (please describe)	
	None of the above	

5b. Budget

The district/consortium business manager will pull the budget worksheets from Cognos and upload in excel format per the instructions below:

- Current Path Public Folders > EFP > Fund Accounting Manager > 2. Federal Program Reports for Budgets and Budget Adjustments>Budget Worksheet
 - Click on Budget Worksheet
 - Select the current year
 - Choose the SOF 6767
 - Click finish

The Budget worksheets shall have descriptions listed, elaborating as to what will be done with the budgeted amount and how it relates to indicated category. In the next column, add the Activity Codes 1-16 from the Authorized Activities.

- Include a description of items to be purchased, including FTE, name and position of salaries/benefits
- Material/supplies

Please upload the ARP Homeless II budget into the Indistar folder labeled ARP Homeless II.

Confirm Assurances

Select all that apply:	Assurances
	The LEA(s) assures that the combined fiscal effort per student, or the aggregate expenditures of that agency and the state with respect to the provision of free public education by such agency for the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which the determination is made, was not less than 90 percent of such combined fiscal effort or aggregate expenditures for the second fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which the determination is made.
	The LEA(s) assures that the applicant complies with, or will use requested funds to comply with, paragraphs (3) through (7) of 42 U.S.C.A. § 11432(g).
	The LEA(s) assures that it will collect and promptly provide data requested by the State Coordinator pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (3) of 42 U.S.C.A. § 11432(f).
	The LEA(s) assures that it will meet the requirements of 42 U.S.C.A. § 11432(g)(3).

I, the undersigned Superintendent/Director for the above named Local Education Agency (LEA), hereby, assure the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education that this application is accurate to the best of my ability.

SUPERINTENDENT/DIRECTOR SIGNATURE	DATE

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