

## Agenda

Welcome & Introductions

HomeAid Orlando

True Health

OCPS- McKinny-Vento Program

HMIS Update

Announcements

## HomeAid Orlando

Russ Beymer  
Executive Director



## HomeAid Orlando

HAO Board of  
Directors

Russ Beymer,  
Executive Director



- **Brian Brunhofer**, Taylor Morrison – Board President
- **Kenny Smith**, Richmond American Homes – Board Vice President
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- **Vishaal Gupta**, Park Square Homes
- **Doug Bross**, Builders FirstSource
- **Bud Moscony**, Inspired Title



## Introductions

Service Provider  
Network of  
community partners

Always looking for  
more – make a  
connection



- Coalition for the Homeless
- HBI Career Center
- Family Promise
- Homeless Services Network
- SafeHouse
- Catholic Foundation of Central Florida



- Community Resource Network
- One Heart for Women & Children
- Bright Community Trust
- The Lifeboat Project
- Salvation Army
- Community Hope Center
- MORE TO COME!!



Ending homelessness since 1989





**365,000+**  
People Housed

**10,500+**  
Beds Created

**900+**  
Projects Built

**\$256 Million+**  
Housing Created

**\$117 Million+**  
Dollars Saved

**10 Million+**  
Essential Items



**Our First  
Steps,  
One Heart for  
Women and  
Children**

\*Food Drive  
\*Pantry Expansion







For more  
information  
visit [homeaid.org](http://homeaid.org) or  
[homeaidorlando.org](http://homeaidorlando.org).

Flyers available to  
email.



Thank You!

Please send me an email to continue the  
conversation [russ@homeaid.org](mailto:russ@homeaid.org)

## True Health

Gary Miles

Community Outreach Specialist



- Our mission is to provide quality healthcare at an affordable price.
- We accept most insurance carriers, including Medicare and Medicaid
- At True Health, no one is denied the help they need.



## True Health

- a private, non-profit 501 (c)(3)
- Federally Qualified Health Center
- Seven locations within Orange and Seminole Counties

## True Health

- Low-income, uninsured, underinsured, and underserved
- Sliding fee scale
- Annually we proudly serve over 40,000 unduplicated patients with over 101,000 encounters.



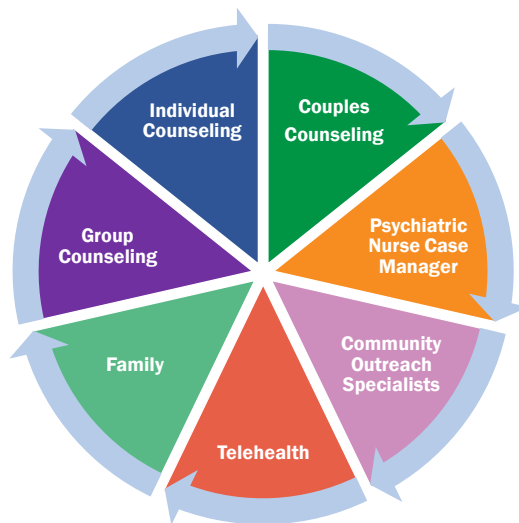




## Behavioral Health Services



## Services Offered





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**Dental**

- At True Health, we offer emergency-based treatments only for adults.
- At True Health, our skilled dentists will perform an evaluation and take x-rays.
- Two oral surgeons working with us
- Low cost wisdom tooth extraction for underinsured or uninsured  
supply appropriate referrals for root canal services.

## Dental

- With pharmacies on-site, you won't need to call in or travel to pick up prescriptions.
- If you need antibiotics for a dental infection, you can pick them up on your way out of the office.



## Additional Services

- Primary Adult Care
- OB/GYN
- Pediatrics
- Podiatry
- Laboratory
- Diagnostic Imaging
- Disease Prevention
- Pharmacy

# Questions ?



## McKinney-Vento Program

Danielle Batista- District Liaison  
Christine Cleveland- Senior Administrator

3.24.2020



**Orange County  
Public Schools**

## Agenda

- ❑ Background of MVP Program
- ❑ Common Struggles/ Related Trauma
- ❑ MVP Rights
- ❑ Resources



***Goal: Participants will become knowledgeable about the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act including the main rights and services available for students and families via the Orange County Public Schools MVP district office.***



**1.5 million**

**Students experiencing homelessness, preK-12,  
identified by public schools in 2017-2018.**

**15% increase over 3 school years!**

Source: National Center for Homeless Education (2020). [National Overview](#).

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## McKinney-Vento Program (MVP)

- ❑ Created to provide services to address challenges children and youth in housing transition may face when enrolling, attending, and succeeding in school (i.e. school stability).



### McKinney-Vento Program (MVP) Who is Eligible?



**Fixed:** stationary,  
permanent, not  
subject to change



**Regular:** predictable,  
routine, consistent  
nightly basis



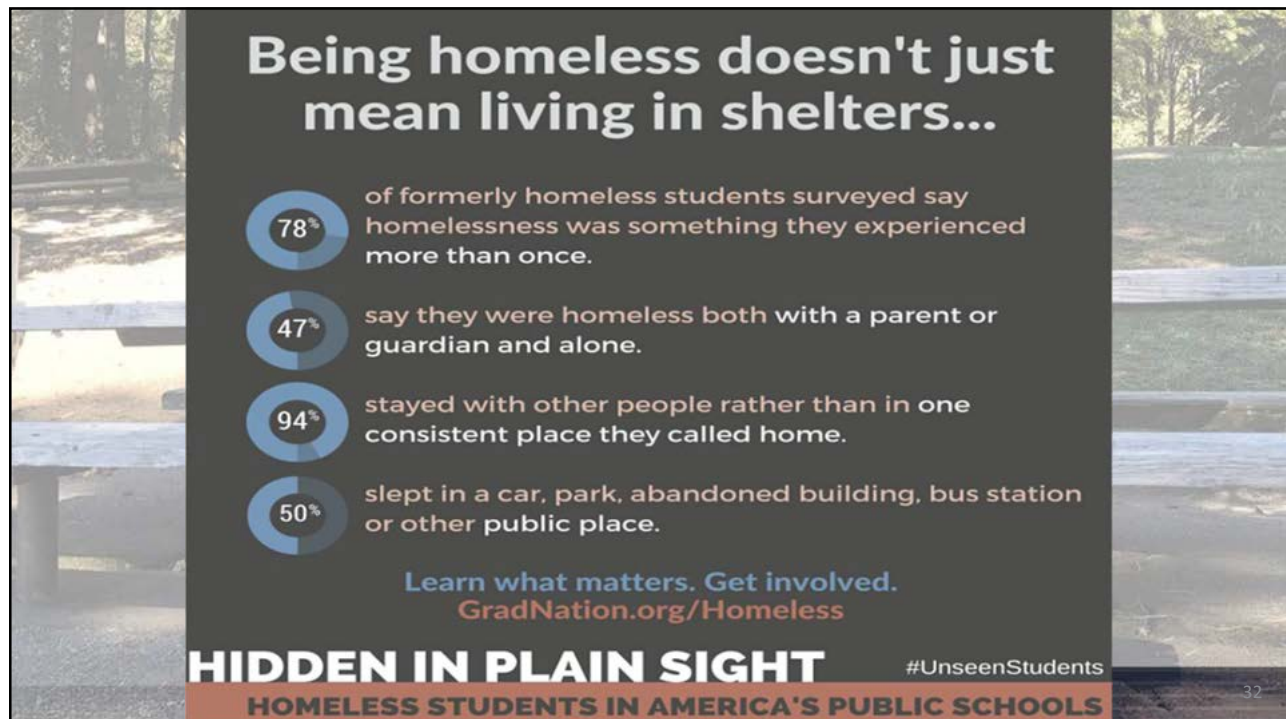
**Adequate:** sufficient  
to meet both physical  
and psychological  
need

← The Lack of: →

## Homeless Living Situations...

- ❑ Sharing the housing of others due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason;
- ❑ Living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations;
- ❑ Living in emergency or transitional shelters
- ❑ Living in a public or private place not designed for or regularly used as accommodations
- ❑ Living in cars, parks, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings.
  - ❑ What is substandard? Check utilities; infestations; mold; dangers

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## Unaccompanied Homeless Youth (UHY)

- ❑ For any child or youth, including an unaccompanied child or youth, to be eligible for McKinney-Vento services, his/her living arrangement must meet the McKinney-Vento definition of *homeless*
- ❑ **Unaccompanied:** The term *unaccompanied youth* includes a homeless child or youth not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian. Pub. L. No. 114-95, § 9105(a)(3), 129 Stat. 2137
- ❑ A guardianship issue alone (without homelessness) does not convey McKinney-Vento eligibility



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## Common Struggles

- Enrollment at multiple schools
- Lack of records
- Gaps in learning
- Poor/inconsistent attendance
- Talking about frequent moves
- Poor hygiene
- Unmet medical/dental needs
- Wearing the same clothes repeatedly
- Fatigue
- Hoarding food
- Social and behavioral challenges, such as extreme shyness, withdrawal, or aggression
- Clinginess
- Difficulty with peer and/or adult relationships
- Poor attention span
- Anxiety late in the school day
- Lack of participation in field trips and/or afterschool activities
- Lack of basic school supplies
- Inability to complete special projects

## Facts on Trauma and Students Experiencing Homelessness

- ❑ Become ill at twice the rate as other students
- ❑ Experience twice as many ear infections
- ❑ Five times more stomach problems
- ❑ Twice as likely to repeat a grade
- ❑ Go hungry twice as often as other students
- ❑ 1/5 of preschoolers have emotional problems, but less than 1/3 receive proper care
- ❑ Twice the rate of learning disabilities and three times the rate of emotional/behavioral problems
- ❑ ½ experience anxiety, depression, or withdrawal
- ❑ By the age of 8, 1 in 3 will develop a mental health disorder

Source: The National Child Traumatic Stress Network. [Facts Overview](#)

## Educational Impacts



- ❑ **42% of students** who experienced homelessness say they dropped out of school at least once; **60% say it was hard** to stay in school while they were homeless.
- ❑ Homelessness is associated with an **87% likelihood of dropping out of school, chronic absenteeism, and disproportionate school discipline.**
- ❑ Over time, the achievement gaps between homeless and low-income elementary students tend to persist and may even worsen.

## Overcoming Homelessness Through Education

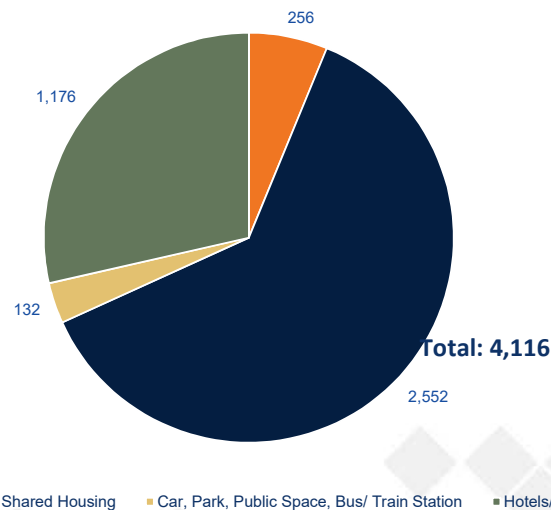
- ❑ Lack of a high school diploma or GED is the top risk factor for young adult homelessness: 346% more likely.
- ❑ By 2020, 65% of all jobs will require education beyond high school.
- ❑ The McKinney-Vento Act is an important strategy to overcome homelessness.



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## OCPS Current Statistics

Night-time Residence







## MVP Rights

**IMMEDIATE ACTION**

### Immediate Enrollment:

- ❑ Within first attempt, must enroll (attend classes)
- ❑ Students must enroll even if lacking documents such as:
  - ❑ Proof of residence
  - ❑ Immunization records
  - ❑ Birth certificates
  - ❑ School records

*Federal law does not have timelines for providing such documentation, but Florida Statutes provide a 30 day extension for immunization records.*

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## MVP Rights



### School Stability and Selection:

- ❑ Two options:
  - ❑ Zoned School (based on address)
  - ❑ School of Origin (School attended when permanently housed or last school attended)
- ❑ Students can continue attending their school of origin the entire time they are homeless and until the end of the school year in which they move into permanent housing.
- ❑ Incoming Kindergarten and/or Pre-K students do not have a “school of origin”. They must enroll into the zoned school for their temporary housing.

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## MVP Rights



### Free Meals:

- ☐ Homeless students are categorically eligible for free meals.
- ☐ Income requirements do not matter
- ☐ SRQ may be used to initiate meals in lieu of a Free and Reduced Lunch application
- ☐ Coordination is needed for the “day of” identification

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## MVP Rights



### Transportation:

- ☐ Must be provided to the school of origin including until the end of the year when the student obtains permanent housing, at a parent’s or guardian’s request
  - ☐ K – 12<sup>th</sup> grade
  - ☐ Must be over 2 miles
  - ☐ All homeless public school students included
  - ☐ A transportation worksheet goes to your router
  - ☐ Bus passes and gas cards are available during routing through the district homeless liaisons
    - ☐ Available during transportation set up as it may take 5-10 days

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## District Office Support



- ❑ MVP Status certification during challenging cases
- ❑ Description of rights
- ❑ Coordination and connection to school and community resources
- ❑ Kids Closet- Basic needs: Clothing, hygiene items, food, etc.
- ❑ Field Trip fees (up to \$25 per student) on a first come, first serve basis
- ❑ Activity fee (up to \$75) on a first come, first serve basis

## COVID-19 – Orange County Public Schools

- Food Distribution Centers – 10AM – 2PM – [50 Sites](#)
- Digital Instruction for grades 6-12 (devices and hotspots available at schools)
- Work Packets for grades K-5 – Packets available for pick-up at schools (direction provided by school)
- At this time district offices and schools still open 9AM – 3PM, limited staff
- Instructional Staff all working remotely
- Updates available at [ocps.net](http://ocps.net)

## Resources

- ❑ SchoolHouse Connection: <http://www.schoolhouseconnection.org/>
- ❑ Hidden in Plain Sight: <http://www.americaspromise.org/report/hidden-plain-sight>
- ❑ National Center on Homeless Education: <https://nche.ed.gov>
- ❑ National Network for Youth: <http://www.nn4youth.org>
- ❑ Education Leads Home: <https://www.educationleadshome.org/>
- ❑ Orange County Public Schools McKinney-Vento Program: [www.homeless.ocps.net](http://www.homeless.ocps.net)

**Mainline:** 407-317-3485  
**Website:** [homeless.ocps.net](http://homeless.ocps.net)

**Homeless Liaisons:**  
**(407)317-3200**

Danielle Batista: x 200-2789  
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## Announcements

### HMIS Training Update



HMIS Trainings will be hosted via the web until further notice.



To request a training, please submit a Training Request Form on [hmiscfl.org](http://hmiscfl.org)

## Next Meeting

Tuesday, April 28<sup>th</sup>  
9am (Networking at 8:30am)  
Location: TBD

