ABOUT... "HOMELESS" CHILDREN

Who is homeless? (no fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence)

- •Lives on the street, in motels, in campgrounds, in cars
- •Lives in a shelter
- •Lives in substandard housing/may lack utilities
- •Doubled up with other family or being raised by someone else
- Moves frequently
- •Abandoned, thrown away, runaway, or awaiting foster placement
- Unaccompanied youth

What does NCLB say?

- •Enroll immediately (including unaccompanied youth)
- •Remain in school of origin
- •Receive transportation and other services

What help is available?

- School enrollment assistance
- •School supplies, fees, uniforms
- •Tutoring for children in shelters and in schools
- •Help with issues of school records, immunizations, B.C., etc.
- •Help with accessing community resources

How can teachers or someone from the community get help for homeless children?

See school counselor, complete a referral Form, or contact:

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