

Community Homeless Solutions
Seminar Web Series

HOMELESS EDUCATION AND SOLUTIONS

July through December 2020



EPISODE ONE

Introduction and Overview of
Homelessness: Facts, Fiction and
Magnitude of Homelessness



HOMELESS EDUCATION AND SOLUTIONS TOPICS

1. Introduction and Overview of Homelessness: Facts, Fiction and Magnitude of Homelessness
2. Impact of COVID on Homelessness and Anticipated Future Impacts
3. Impact of Domestic Violence and Homelessness, Shelter Services
4. Shelter and Housing Solutions and the Challenge and Cost of Housing
5. Respite Care and Wrap Around Services
6. CHS Organization Overview, Volunteer Program, Faith Community Engagement



INTRODUCTION TO HOMELESSNESS IN MONTEREY AND SAN BENITO COUNTIES: FACTS, FICTION AND MAGNITUDE OF HOMELESSNESS

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EDUCATION FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN AND YOUTH/MCKINNEY-VENTO GUARANTEES:

- (1) Equal access to the same free, appropriate public education, including a public preschool education, as provided to other children and youths.
- (2) School attendance laws or other laws, regulations, practices, or policies that may act as a barrier to the enrollment, attendance, or success in school of homeless children and youths, the State will review and undertake steps to revise such laws, regulations, practices, or policies to ensure that homeless children and youths are afforded the same free, appropriate public education as provided to other children and youths.

HOUSING AND LIVING CONDITIONS FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES UP TO HIGH SCHOOL

Monterey County

78,000 students enrolled in school

9,900 qualified as homeless

8,830 were doubled up

266 lived in hotels or motels

242 lived in shelters

382 were unsheltered

CAUSES OF HOMELESSNESS

- Loss of a job
- The lack of jobs that pay a living wage
- The lack of access to health care
- The lack of affordable housing
- Domestic Violence
- Mental illness
- Drug and/or alcohol addiction
- Divorce
- Natural disasters: fires, floods, tornados
- Lack of child support
- Poor Family Relationships
- Physical Illness or Injury

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