

Online Mental Health Services for Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness

Children and youth experiencing homelessness often do not receive the mental health services they need to help them overcome the detrimental effects of their situation.

The Bridge Project in PA facilitates free access to mental health services for children and youth experiencing homelessness in grades K-12 in Pennsylvania.

The Bridge Project in PA is part of Pennsylvania's American Rescue Plan Homeless Children and Youth (ARP-HCY) Program and is available for a limited time.

In partnership with our providers, services are available online and at no cost to the student, family, or local education agency (LEA). **No health insurance is necessary.** 

Highly qualified, caring mental health providers will offer one-on-one online therapy sessions for students and families when applicable.

Children and youth experiencing homelessness enrolled in a Pennsylvania school entity in grades K-12 are eligible for services.

The school Homeless Liaison, as required by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, may make direct referrals for services.

**Important:** Referrals should not be made for students who are in immediate distress and require crisis resources. These students/ families should immediately call or text 988 for direct links for suicide prevention and crisis support.

## **The Bridge Project in PA**

- ✓ FREE and private.
- Provided by qualified, dependable, and caring therapists.
- Offers support and guidance to help every student reach their potential.

## Learn more and make a referral.



## bit.ly/TBP-Referral



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