


ARP HCY Homeless II Cover Sheet

Grantee Information Cover Sheet	
Region Number to Be Served	3
Name of Intermediate Unit Applicant	York Academy Regional Charter School
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County	York
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DUNS Number	965403764
Federal Identification Number	27-2294198
Vendor Number	189670676
Performance Period	July 1, 2021 to September 30, 2024
Total Amount of Funds	\$15,050
Number of Students & Children to Be Served (by grade/age)	
High School/Junior High	12
Elementary	24
Preschool	4
Birth to 3 Years	4
Total Number to Be Served	44

Certification by Authoring Official

The applicant hereby certifies to the best of his/her knowledge and belief that the information and data contained in this application are true and correct and the filing of the application has been duly authorized by the governing body of the applicant and that applicant will comply with the assurance required of applicants if the grant is approved.

	<i>Michael Lowe</i>	<i>3/14/22</i>
Authorized Signature	Print Name	Date
<i>CEO</i>	<i>3</i>	
Title	Region Number	

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For the grant narrative, answer the following questions using 10 pt. Arial font and single line spacing. Narrative answers should be limited to no more than five sentences per question.

1. The number of identified children and youth experiencing homelessness in the applicant region, preschool through high school:
 - a. 2018-19 school year: 9
 - b. 2019-20 school year: 21
 - c. 2020-21 school year (*available to date*): 31

2. If the number of identified children and youth experiencing homelessness in the region has changed by more than 10% since the 2018-19 school year, explain the difference. Improved and more timely identification of homeless children and youth occurred when a Student Services Coordinator position was created and the McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison responsibilities were assigned to this position.

3. What is the average attendance for identified children and youth experiencing homelessness in the LEA(s) for the 2019-20 or 2020-21 school year? How does this compare to the average attendance for all students in the same year? During the 2020-21 school year, identified average attendance for all students was 95%. The average attendance for identified children and youth experiencing homelessness that same year was 94, although an extreme outlier data point for one student existed. Without that outlying data point, the average was 97%.

4. What are the primary current educational and related needs of children and youth experiencing homelessness in the LEA as they related to eligible uses of funds (check all that apply)?
 - Outreach and identification
 - Enrollment
 - Attendance
 - Transportation
 - Academic support
 - Extra-curricular participation
 - Trauma-informed care
 - Social emotional learning
 - Mental health support
 - Supplies (school, health, hygiene, clothing, etc.)
 - Cell phones, laptops, internet, or other technological devices
 - Access to early childhood programs
 - Short-term, temporary housing
 - Other (please describe)

5. Funds will be used to facilitate (check all that apply):
- Identification of children and youth experiencing homelessness
 - Enrollment of children and youth experiencing homelessness
 - Retention of children and youth experiencing homelessness
 - Educational success of children and youth experiencing homelessness
6. How will the LEA use subgrant funds to identify and outreach to children and youth experiencing homelessness? Printed flyers, in English and Spanish, explaining McKinney-Vento, in user-friendly terms, and how to contact the Student Services Coordinator, will be distributed to all York Academy students.
7. How will the LEA use subgrant funds to connect students experiencing homelessness and their families to summer learning and enrichment programs for summer of 2021 and to engage students and their families in preparation for fall of 2021? During summer 2021, enrichment was provided for educationally-impacted students through a summer school program. Participants were identified through academic progress data and grade-level targets. Other funding was used to support this opportunity. For the summer 2022 program, funds will be used to provide transportation for qualifying McKinney-Vento students so that transportation is not a barrier for attendance.
8. Does the LEA plan to award contracts to community-based organizations to identify historically underserved populations such as rural 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. No
9. What other expenses does the LEA plan to pay with this subgrant to facilitate the identification, enrollment, retention, and educational success of children and youth experiencing homelessness? Pre-paid store gift cards will be purchased and distributed to students in an effort to reduce barriers to school attendance. These gift cards may be used to purchase clothing, groceries and personal hygiene productions. In addition, funds will be utilized to purchase mental health assessments and consultative counseling services through our Student Assistance Program (SAP). Mental health access is critical for the support of our McKinney-Vento students.
10. List 2-3 state or local agencies with which you are coordinating to meet identified needs.
- a. Community Progress Council – York Academy Regional Charter School is an identified ERAP application support site;
 - b. True North Wellness – offers mental health and drug and alcohol assessments and counseling through the Student Assistance Program (SAP), and;
 - c. Lincoln Intermediate Unit (IU#12) – provides support for the Student Services Coordinator at York Academy.
11. What other federal funds is your LEA using to support the identification, enrollment, retention, and educational success of children and youth experiencing homelessness specifically?
- 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
12. How will the LEA promote meaningful involvement of parents, guardians, or caregivers in the activities and services proposed? The Student Services Coordinator will work closely with caregivers to identify student needs, including referrals to outside program that can assist the family. Caregivers will have direct access to the Coordinator. Additionally, services are promoted at Title I events and parents/caregivers are encouraged to ask questions and provide feedback on available services.
13. Identify how the LEA will evaluate the impact of the subgrant funds. Check all that apply.
- 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 increased parent/guardian/caregiver involvement
 - Data showing increases in the number of identified McKinney-Vento students transitioning to post-secondary education
 - Other (please describe): _____
14. Does the LEA plan to provide services specifically for preschool-aged children experiencing homelessness and their families? Explain. The following services will be provided, as needed:
- a. Referrals to Head Start and preschool programs;
 - b. Connections to medical, dental and vision services, and;
 - c. Information and assistance with completing medical assistance paperwork.
15. Does the LEA plan to provide services specifically for unaccompanied youth? Explain. Due to the smaller size of the LEA, there are currently no unaccompanied youth that have been identified.
16. Check the boxes indicating the policies and/or practices in place in the LEA.
- The LEA will ensure that services provided with this subgrant will not isolate or stigmatize children and youth experiencing homelessness.
 - The LEA will ensure that this subgrant will be used to help children and youth attend, participate fully, and succeed in academic and extracurricular opportunities offered to all students.
 - The LEA will ensure that services provided with this subgrant will supplement, expand, improve upon, or provide access to services provided as part of a school's academic or extra-curricular program, but not replace such services.
 - The LEA will ensure that children and youth experiencing homelessness are integrated into the regular education program.

17. Indicate that the LEA makes the following assurances:

- The LEA 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 assures that the applicant complies with, or will use requested funds to comply with, paragraphs (3) through (7) of section 722(g) of the McKinney Vento Act.
- The LEA assures that it will collect and promptly provide data requested by the State Coordinator pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (3) of section 722(f) of the McKinney Vento Act. The LEA assures that it will meet the requirements of section 722(g)(3) of the McKinney Vento Act.