



*Housing*

# NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

## Homelessness and Housing Insecurity for Homeless Families with Children

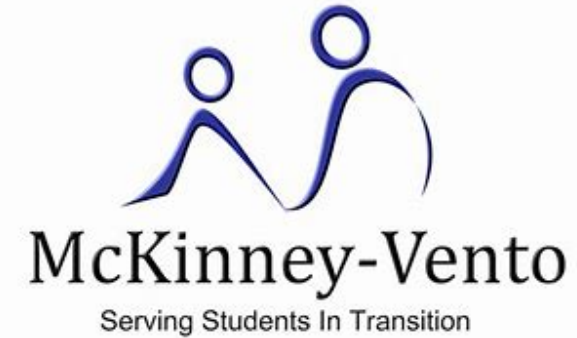
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# How is homelessness defined?



- Temporary supervised shelter
- Unsheltered on a street, in a car, park, abandoned building, bus/train station, airport, or encampment



- HUD definition PLUS
  - Doubled up
  - Couch surfing
  - Staying in hotel/motels



# What does the data tell us?

- 🏠 **98** families – Point in Time Count
- 🏠 **353** families – Victim Service Providers
- 🏠 **602** families – Homeless Management Information System
- 🏠 **2,249** individual students homeless or in shared living situations



# What are the effects of homelessness?

- Adverse childhood experiences (housing insecurity) can inhibit cognitive and social development in children and youth
- Associated with interruptions in employment and educational attainment



# How are homeless families currently served in Santa Clara County?

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- 🏠 Homelessness Prevention
- 🏠 Temporary Shelter
- 🏠 Rapid Rehousing
- 🏠 Permanent Supportive Housing



# Homelessness Prevention System: 841 Households Served

## 🏠 Of all the households served...

- 72% included Children
- 43% were Single Parent Households
- 34% included a Child  $\leq$  5 years old

## 🏠 Characteristics of the heads of households...

- Age Ranges: 19-91 Years Old
- 79% are Female
- 40% had a Disabling Condition



# How can the City improve and expand services?

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- 🏠 Implement Assisted Rapid Resolution
- 🏠 Expand Homelessness Prevention
- 🏠 Prioritize Housing Production for Families
- 🏠 Increase number of subsidies in Rapid Rehousing
- 🏠 Connect school districts and homeless systems



# What are the next steps?

- Develop and Implement the Community Plan to End Homelessness
- Prioritize Homeless Families in the HUD Consolidated Plan
- Strategize on Future Funding Opportunities
- Develop a Family Residential Instability Network Group

