

# **Chattooga County Schools**



**Evaluation of the 2018-2019**

**McKinney-Vento**

**Homeless Assistance Grant**

## **OVERVIEW**

The McKinney-Vento Act defines and protects the rights of students in transition to enroll in, attend, and succeed in our public schools. Chattooga County Schools was approved by the State Board of Education for a grant cycle ending September 30, 2019. The Evaluation summarizes the assistance provided during the 2018-2019 grant cycle.

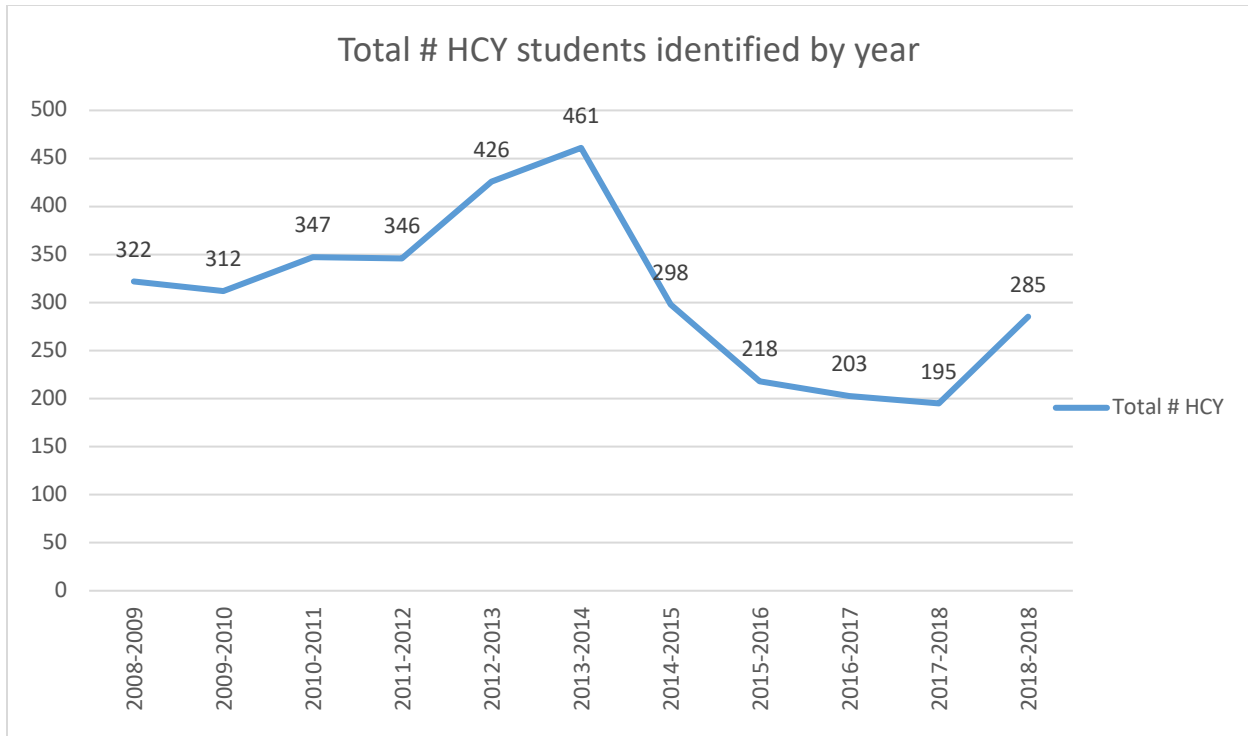
## **DEFINITION**

The McKinney-Vento Act provides educational services to any pre-school or school-aged student who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. The term transient includes: Children and youth who are sharing the housing of other people due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason—“doubled up” Children and youth who are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camp grounds due to the lack of alternative housing Living in emergency shelters or transitional shelters Abandoned in hospitals Awaiting foster care placement—temporary (approximately one year or less) Children and youth who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings Children and youth who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings Migratory children described in the above situations Unaccompanied youth are youth not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian.

### **CHATTOOGA COUNTY NUMBERS**

**HCY=Homeless Children & Youth**

- 2007-2008 identified 286 HCY
- 2008-2009 identified 322 HCY
- 2009-2010 identified 312 HCY
- 2010-2011 identified 347 HCY
- 2011-2012 identified 346 HCY
- 2012-2013 identified 426 HCY
- 2013-2014 identified 461 HCY
- 2014-2015 identified 298 HCY
- 2015-2016 identified 218 HCY
- 2016-2017-identified 203 HCY
- 2017-2018-identified 195 HCY
- 2018-2019-identified 285 HCY



## EVALUATION

The distribution of school and hygiene supplies continued to be most utilized service followed by emergency school clothing. School supplies and hygiene products helped 220 HCY participate in school activities and projects.

## SURVEY RESULTS

- A survey was created on Google Docs this year to survey Program Directors, Principals, Assistant Principals, School Counselors, Parent Coordinators, Bus Drivers, and Food Service. Approximately 66 individuals participated. The top five needs rated in Chattooga County were School Supplies, Hygiene Supplies, Individual Counseling, Emergency School Clothing and Field Trip Assistance.
- A randomly selected group of 58 McKinney-Vento students completed a Student Survey to assess their own individual needs. The top five needs rated by students Individual Counseling, Tutoring, Graduation Fees, Field Trip Fees, and School Supplies.
- Community organization respondents were also asked to complete an anonymous survey. There were 12 respondents. The top four needs rated by the community were: Transportation to and from school and school related activities, Tutoring, Individual

Counseling for students, School Supplies. The fifth need was equal between: Hygiene Supplies, Emergency School Clothing and Graduation Fees.

- Parent Surveys are sent to every family identified by the Homeless Liaison. They are enclosed with a letter and brochure. 7 surveys were returned. The top 5 needs identified by parents were: Individual Counseling, Tutoring, Graduation Fees, Field Trip Assistance, and School Supplies.

### **ASSISTANCE**

200 transient students received school supplies

75 transient students received hygiene products.

10 transient students received assistance to participate in band, sports, FFA, or Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA).

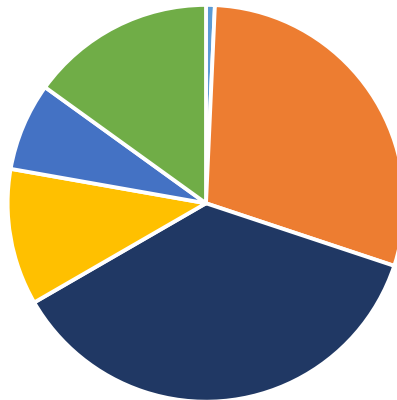
32 transient students received emergency clothing or athletic uniforms.

### **COUNSELING SERVICES**

21 transient students were served consistently by School Counselors

19 transient students received individual counseling or group counseling

# of HCY



- Chattooga Academy
  - Leroy Massey Elementary School
  - Menlo
- Chattooga High School
  - Lyerly
  - Summerville Middle School

<u>School Name</u>	<u>Total HCY</u>	<u>Doubled-Up</u>	<u>Hotel</u>	<u>Shelter</u>	<u>Unsheltered</u>
Chattooga Academy	2	2	0	0	0
Chattooga High School	82	82	0	0	0
Leory Massey Elementary School	108	106	0	2	0
Lyerly	31	31	0	0	0
Menlo	20	20	0	0	0
Summerville Middle School	42	42	0	0	0
Pre-K	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### Services Provided

