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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** May 11, 2017

**TO:** Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents  
Public School Academy Directors

**FROM:** Venessa A. Keesler, Ph.D., Deputy Superintendent   
Division of Educator, Student, and School Supports

**SUBJECT:** Announcing the 2017-2020 Grant Cycle for McKinney-Vento (M-V)  
Education for Homeless Children and Youth Consortium Programs

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is pleased to announce the availability of the Education for Homeless Children and Youth (EHCY) Grant application for the new grant cycle covering the 2017-2020 academic years. This grant is funded under the *McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act*, Title VII, Subpart B, and Title IX, Part A of the *Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)*, as amended by the *Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)* in 2015.

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Education grants are awarded to consortia only and not to individual local educational agencies (LEAs). ***ONLY SUBMIT an application for this grant if your LEA will function as a fiscal agent and consortium lead, coordinating the activities of a regional consortium of LEAs. All LEAs are eligible to join regional consortia as members.***

**IMPORTANT NOTE TO PAST GRANT RECIPIENTS**

***Please initiate your application by May 15, 2017.*** Initiating the application will NOT pull forward consortium members from the prior year's application. Each fiscal agent will need to invite all LEAs in their grant region into their consortium. The McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Grant application must be completed in the Michigan Electronic Grants System *Plus* (MEGS+) ***by 11:59 p.m. on June 30, 2017.***

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Funds will be awarded on a competitive basis according to the criteria approved previously by the State Board of Education. These criteria, a list of current funding priorities, the grant training PowerPoint, the grant scoring rubric, and a grant timeline form for 2017-2020 M-V grant applications are posted on the [Office of Field Services website](#).

Please direct questions about the McKinney-Vento Grant or training to Shereen Tabrizi, Manager of the Special Populations Unit at [TabriziS@michigan.gov](mailto:TabriziS@michigan.gov). If you have questions regarding MEGS+ or the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Grant application, please contact Tammy Franks at 517-335-0352 or by e-mail at [frankst1@michigan.gov](mailto:frankst1@michigan.gov).

cc: Michigan Education Alliance