



# McKinney-Vento Office Hours

## School Year 2023-24

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“The Evolution of the Work”

September 21, 2023

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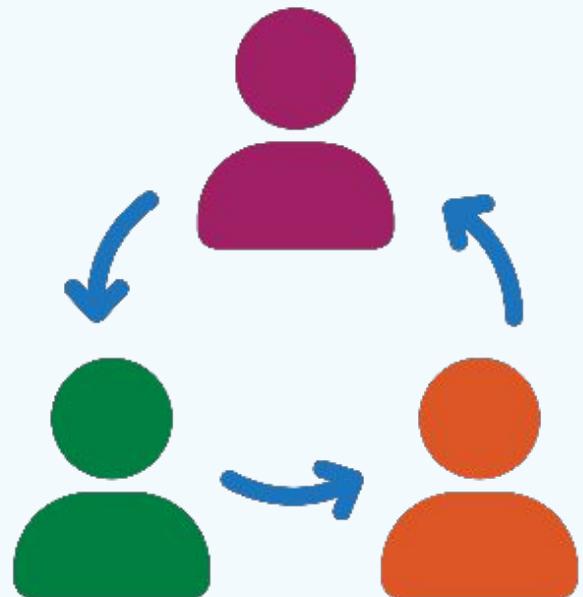
You will get a copy of the slides in the newsletter, along with an FAQ.

# Agenda

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- 1. Introductions**
  - a. Including a message from our Director
- 2. What does Success Look Like?**
- 3. Guest Speakers:**
  - a. Early Learning
  - b. Jump Start Kinder
  - c. Local Education Agency
- 4. Q&A**
- 5. Closing Remarks**

# Introductions



**Please share in the chat your**

- Name & Pronouns
- District/Agency/Organization
- Using only emojis, share what you are most looking forward to this month?

# What does success look like?

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- Trends & Themes from Last Year
  - Identification is a challenge
  - Turnover is real
  - Collaboration equals success
  - Establishing boundaries is ok
- Removing Barriers
  - Communicate early and often
  - Each situation is different, Each solution is different
  - Leverage your colleagues and allies in the work

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Use the [Shared Workspace](#) to write questions for specific agenda items.

We'll be distributing a Newsletter this year, 2 weeks after the Office Hours as a review with the slide deck, FAQ, Training or Resources, and a preview of the upcoming Office Hours.

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## Trends and Themes from Last Year

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### Trends:

- Nationwide underidentification of McKinney-Vento students continues
- Staffing within districts and across states continues to be a challenge (barrier)
- Geography Matters - Rural, Urban/Suburban, and Coastal

### Themes:

- Communication and Collaboration removes barriers
- ODE is a resource, i.e. support trainings, being a thought partner, and removing barriers to liaison and student success
- Data Matters - Identification, Courses/Extracurricular Activities, and Outcomes

# Removing Barriers

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This year I am working hard to coordinate and collaborate with ....

As part of this we want to listen to you and get your feedback to remove barriers.

# Early Learning Resources Temperature Check

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We will be opening a poll and logging results.

You may remain anonymous if you choose.

# One Pager Preview

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Early Identification Resources in partnership with the Department of  
Early Learning and Care, and JumpStart Kinder



# Support for Children 0-5 and their families

Lauren Sigman, Head Start Collaboration Director

Rachel Elliot, Preschool Specialist

# What is DELC?

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## Department of Early Learning & Care

**The Department of Early Learning and Care fosters coordinated, culturally appropriate, and family-centered services that recognize and respect the strengths and needs of all children, families, and early learning and care professionals.**



# Programs & Services

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Free Early Learning and Care Programs and Services for children ages 0-5 and their families such as:

- Center and Home Based
- Home visiting
- Parenting Education
- Resource & Referral



# Oregon Prenatal to Kindergarten (OPK)

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Program Overview	OPK offers free, high-quality preschool, infant/toddler care and family support services. Oregon Prenatal to Kindergarten (OPK) is modeled after Head Start to support family success and healthy child development.
Who is eligible?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A pregnant parent or a child up to kindergarten entry AND</li><li>• the family's income is equal to or below 100% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) or is categorically eligible</li><li>• Families receiving SNAP</li></ul>
Service Model	<p>Program services include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Preschool education and early childhood development</li><li>• Child health/mental health and nutrition</li><li>• Parent education , family support and Home Visits</li></ul> <p>OPK emphasizes the role of parents as their child's first and most important teacher and families as advocates and leaders.</p>



# Preschool Promise

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Program Overview	Preschool Promise provides families with free, high-quality preschool that uses a mixed delivery approach, giving families the ability to choose the setting that works best for them and their child.
Who is eligible?	Three- and four-year old children in families whose income is at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level or in foster care programs.
Service Model	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Children receive preschool services equivalent to a kindergarten school year.</li><li>Preschool is offered in various settings, including childcare centers, home-based childcare, and public schools.</li></ul>



# Baby Promise

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## Program Overview

Baby Promise provides families with free, high-quality infants and toddler childcare while increasing access to infant and toddler childcare.

## Who is eligible?

Children 6 weeks to 3 years of age from families receiving Employment Related Day Care (ERDC) in three regions of the state

## Service Model

- Stabilizing and expanding access to infant and toddler care, where Oregon is considered a severe child care desert.
- "Full work-day," full-year high quality infant and toddler care
- Offered in various settings, including childcare centers, home-based childcare.



# Healthy Families Oregon (HFO)

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Program Overview	A free, voluntary home visiting program offering support and education to families that are expecting or parenting newborns. The home visiting services are offered for a minimum of 3 years.
Who is eligible?	Families who are expecting or parenting newborns and are determined to be at higher risk for adverse childhood outcomes.
Service Model	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Eligibility screening and referral services</li><li>An intensive, evidence-based home visiting model accredited through Healthy Families America</li><li>Visits assist families to cultivate and strengthen nurturing parent-child relationships, promote healthy childhood growth and development, enhance family well-being by reducing risk and building protective factors.</li></ul>



# Relief Nurseries

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<b>Program Overview</b>	Relief Nurseries provide early intervention services by offering comprehensive and integrated early childhood therapeutic and family supports to prevent the cycle of child abuse and neglect.
<b>Who is eligible?</b>	Children ages 0-6 with at least 5 Family Stressors (from The Family Stressors Checklist)
<b>Service Model</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Outreach (Home Visiting, Respite, Parent Support, Tangible Supports, Screening and Referral)</li><li>Therapeutic Early Childhood Program (Outreach plus a 3 -6 hour weekly Therapeutic Classroom)</li></ul>



# We're here to help!

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# Jump Start Kindergarten

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Nancy Hauth, Jump Start Kindergarten, ODE

September 21, 2023

# Jump Start Kindergarten

## Funding

ESSER III Set-Aside Investment under the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021

## Oregon Themes

- ★ Family Engagement
- ★ Centering Equity
- ★ Disparate Impact
- ★ Transitions
- ★ Sustainability

Jump Start Kindergarten is one of 11 key investments  
The grant ends September 2024.

## Equity Goals

Children and caregivers build relationships with school staff **the summer prior to starting kindergarten:**

- Culturally affirming **family engagement activities.** (10 or more hours)
- **Joyful classroom experiences** – children learn routines and build skills. (30 or more hours)
- **Bridge-building** with early learning providers and the school to support a warm hand-off

# Jump Start Kindergarten Districts

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- Beaverton (new), Centennial, Central, Dayton, David Douglas, Forest Grove, Gervais, Gresham-Barlow, Hermiston, Hillsboro, Hood River, Jefferson, Klamath County, Klamath Falls, Lincoln County, Morrow County, North. Wasco, Ontario, Parkrose, Phoenix-Talent, Reynolds, Seaside, St. Paul, Tillamook, Umatilla, Vale, Warrenton, Woodburn
- Many other districts in Oregon fund similar programs .
- Families receiving M-V services are prioritized.



# Early Kindergarten Registration

## Register for Kindergarten Today! campaign goal:

All Kinders register for school in the spring

- Community stakeholders
  - Health partners
  - Early learning providers & school districts
  - Community-based organizations & businesses
- Banners, flyers, yard signs and stickers translated in the 8 supported languages
  - [Print-ready](#) materials available to districts and partners
- Statewide campaign launches in February and children are registered by June 1, 2024



# Regional Partnership Meeting

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**Jump Start Regional Meeting, March 5, 2024, 10 - 12 pm**

- [Jump Start Kindergarten School Districts](#),
- Early learning partners
- McKinney-Vento liaisons associated with JSK districts

This is a facilitated meeting designed to:

- learn about each other's programs
- identify and address challenges
- co-create program that supports all families especially focal families
- develop outreach strategies for early school registration

# Resources

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[Toolkit link](#)



[Register for Kindergarten Today! materials](#)

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# Questions and Conversations

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# Local Education Agency (LEA)

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# McKinney-Vento Liaison School Assignments

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Sara Palestino & Leticia Flores

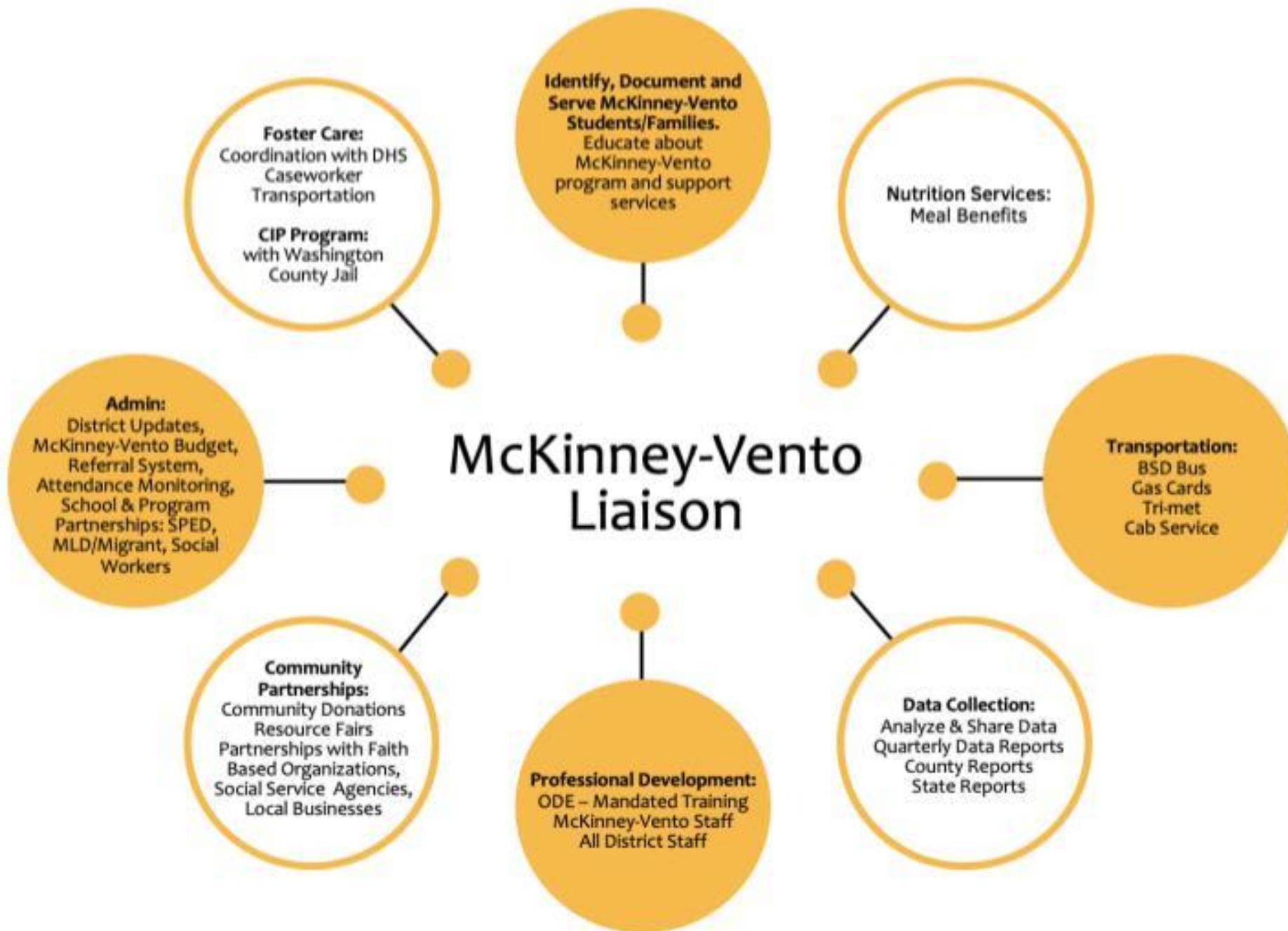
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Bonny Slope	Conestoga	Beaverton	Arco Iris	Five Oaks	BASE
Cedar Mill	Highland Park	Southridge	Beaver Acres		Early College
Findley	Meadow Park	Sunset	Bethany		ISB
Fir Grove	Stoller	FLEX	Chehalem		Merlo Station
Greenway	Tumwater		Cooper Mountain		Mountainside
Hiteon	Whitford		Elmonica		NWRESD
Jacob Wismer	FLEX		Errol Hassell		Westview
McKay			Hazeldale		
Montclair			Hope Chinese		
Oak Hills			Kinnaman		
Raleigh Hills			McKinley		
Raleigh Park			Nancy Ryles		
Ridgewood			Rock Creek		
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# McKinney-Vento Liaison





### **McKinney-Vento Program Referral**

- Low barrier referral system- referrals can come from school staff, community members, local organizations, and directly from students and families.
- Transportation support, free school meals, coordination with schools, and resource brokerage.

### **Referral to Program Social Workers**

- Liaisons identify students and families who would benefit from ongoing case management support and resource navigation, and directly refer to a social worker (Alyssa).
- Liaisons can also refer students who have chronic absenteeism to social worker for additional support (Jenny).

### **Systems of Support and Connections**

- Building-based support teams, including social workers, school counselors, substance use specialists, special education.
- Community mental health providers for support outside of school.
- Ongoing support and referrals to community organizations as needs arise.





# Questions

# Resources

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- [ODE McKinney-Vento Website](#): Contacts, Protocols, Data
- [SchoolHouse Connection](#): Searchable Q/A, COVID Info, Webinars
- [National Center on Homeless Education](#): Topic Briefs, Liaison Toolkit, Webinars
- [National Network for Youth](#): Focus on Unaccompanied Homeless Youth
- [McKinney-Vento Act: Education of Homeless Children and Youth Program](#)
- [The 100 Most Frequently Asked Questions on the Education Rights of Children and Youth in Homeless Situations](#)
- [JumpStart Kinder ToolKit](#)
- [Department of Early Learning and Care](#)
- [Oregon Department of Education : School Safety and Emergency Management Contacts](#)

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# Thank You!

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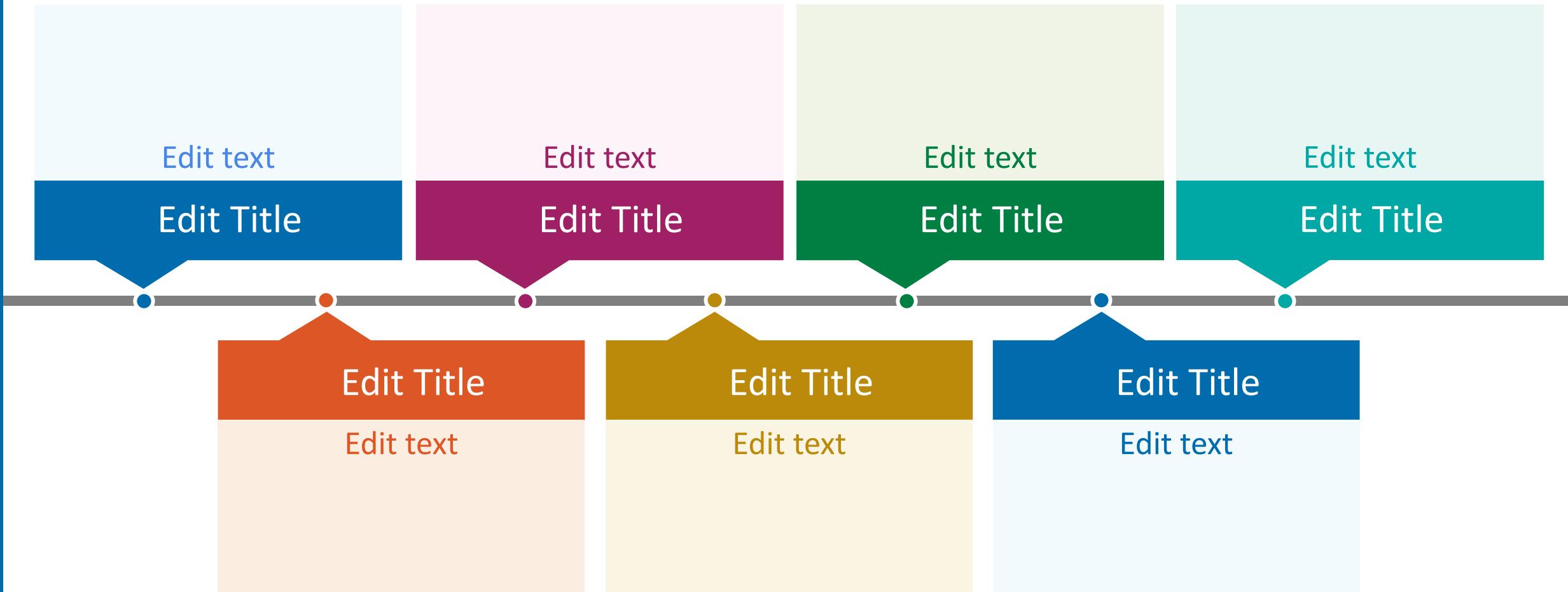
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# Timeline

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# A Brief Overview

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## McKinney-Vento

The **McKinney-Vento Act's Education of Homeless Children and Youth Program**, ensures that homeless children and youth are provided a free, appropriate public education, despite lack of a fixed place of residence or a supervising parent or guardian.

Every school district in Oregon has **at least one designated Homeless Student Liaison** to provide direct assistance to homeless families and unaccompanied youths to access and achieve in school.

[Oregon's Student Success Act](#) has a [Student Investment Account](#) designed to support districts to reduce academic disparities and increase achievement of students in homeless living situations, those who are navigating poverty, and other historically underserved student groups. District Liaisons and ESDs are essential partners in this work.

## ARP-HCY I & II

In recognition of the extraordinary impact of the pandemic on students experiencing homelessness, the American Rescue Plan provided states nationally \$800 million in aid through the ARP Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief – Homeless Children and Youth (ARP-HCY) Fund. Oregon received **\$7,356,860** in funding from this program. Funding was allocated to states in two installments known as ARP-HCY I and ARP-HCY II.

Districts may use funds for any of the **sixteen uses permitted by the McKinney-Vento Act**. In addition, funds may be used for “any expenses necessary to facilitate the **identification, enrollment, retention, or educational success** of children and youth who are experiencing homelessness in order to enable their ability to attend school and participate fully in school activities.



# Questions





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