

Ending Youth Homelessness



Where does Oregon Rank?

- Oregon has the highest per capita rate of homeless children and youth in the country.
- According to ODE McKinney-Vento count, there are 3493 unaccompanied K-12 students in Oregon, separated from their families. And a higher percentage of Oregon's unaccompanied youth live on the street, in vehicles or parks than all but four other states.

Graduation Rates & Homelessness

- Statewide, the rate for homeless students is 54%.
- Beaverton School District partners with EMO to place homeless youth with volunteer home providers.
- Data show that 96% of students in this program have earned a high school diploma, better than every student cohort listed at right.
- High school graduates earn an average of \$7,171 more per year than those without a high school degree, while college graduates earn \$24,242 more.

4 - Year Student Grad. Rates 2017-18

Student Cohort	Rate %
TAG	95.00%
CTE	88.06%
All Students	78.68%
Migrants	74.98%
Econ. Disadvantaged	72.43%
Students w/ Disabilities	60.57%
English Learning in HS	55.78%
Homeless	54.14%

SOLUTIONS:

Bolster Oregon's Funding of Housing and Services for Unaccompanied Homeless Youth

- **Invest \$4m/biennium to grow Oregon's home provider network to fund housing, meals and educational stability for unaccompanied homeless youth.**
 - Foundations and private donations currently fund home provider networks in four Oregon school districts, serving a small proportion of eligible youth.
 - State funding would allow these programs to serve more youth, and for up to 240 additional youth to be served every year in eight new school districts.
- **Increase funding for the Oregon Department of Human Services Runaway & Homeless Youth program's current services from \$3m/biennium to \$6m/biennium**
 - RHY currently awards roughly \$3m/biennium to nonprofits managing youth shelters, street outreach to homeless youth and transitional housing.
 - With \$6m/biennium, these crucial services can be expanded to new communities.