

# Tuition Waiver for Unaccompanied Homeless Youth

The [Maryland Tuition Waiver for Unaccompanied Homeless Youth](#) is available to unaccompanied homeless youth who are enrolled as a candidate for an associate, bachelor's degree or vocational certificate at a Maryland Public institution of higher education. The purpose of the Tuition Waiver for Unaccompanied Homeless Youth is to provide financial assistance to unaccompanied homeless youth. The Maryland Tuition Waiver for Unaccompanied Homeless pays for tuition only. The student may apply for additional aid to pay for other school expenses.

## **Examples of children who fall under this definition are as follows:**

- *Children and youth sharing housing due to loss of housing, economic hardship or a similar reason*
- *Children and youth living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camp grounds due to lack of alternative accommodations*
- *Children and youth living in emergency or transitional shelters*
- *Children and youth abandoned in hospitals*
- *Children and youth whose primary nighttime residence is not ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation (e.g. park benches, etc.)*
- *Children and youth living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations*
- *Migratory children and youth living in any of the above situations*



In Maryland, House Bill 400, Higher Education-Tuition Waiver for Unaccompanied Homeless Youth (UHY) provides eligible young people tuition waivers to pursue a postsecondary education. • The UHY may be eligible for the UHY Tuition Waiver. The student must complete the FAFSA to be considered for:

- Maryland Tuition Waivers;
- Community College Scholarships and other scholarships opportunities; and
- Grants.

If further information is required or details about eligibility criteria, contact the homeless liaison at your school or click [here](#).

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**Scholarship Deadline is OCTOBER 1, 2020**

Need more information? Please contact [Jordyn Roark](#), Director of Youth Leadership and Scholarships.