

2425 UHY Determination – Office Use Only
(Including interview document if applicable)

Student's name: _____

Student ID: _____

<input type="checkbox"/> FSA-approved documentation – no further documentation or information required.	2024-25 FSA Handbook AVG Ch 5
<input type="checkbox"/> McKinney-Vento / high school or district homeless liaison <input type="checkbox"/> HUD-funded emergency shelter / transitional housing <input type="checkbox"/> RHYA runaway or homeless youth basic shelter / transitional living program	Homeless Youth Definitions At risk of being homeless —when a student's housing may cease to be fixed, regular, and adequate, for example, a student who is being evicted and has been unable to find fixed, regular, and adequate housing. Homeless —lacking fixed, regular, and adequate housing. Self-supporting —when a student pays for his own living expenses, including fixed, regular, and adequate housing. Unaccompanied —when a student is not living in the physical custody of a parent or guardian.
<input type="checkbox"/> FAA Determination <input type="checkbox"/> Is student unaccompanied (not in the physical custody of parent or guardian)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (If "Yes" continue with form. If "No" student is not UHY and is dependent.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do you live with a parent? How often do you interact with them? Does parent financially support you in any way – carry medical insurance, pay rent or bills? How long have you been on your own? How are you supporting yourself? (Self-supporting) <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 80px; margin-top: 10px;"></div>	Housing: Fixed — stationary, permanent and not subject to change. Regular —used on a predictable, routine, or consistent basis. Adequate —sufficient for meeting both the physical and psychological needs typically met in the home.
<input type="checkbox"/> UHY determination may be made based on third party documentation such as (not complete list): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local school district personnel State homeless education coordinators Private or publicly funded homeless shelters and service providers Financial aid administrators from other colleges Staff from college access programs such as TRIO or GEAR UP College or high school counselors Mental health professionals, social workers, mentors, doctors, clergy <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 80px; margin-top: 10px;"></div>	
<input type="checkbox"/> UHY determination may be made based on another school's determination of UHY within same AY: If another school has determined UHY: School: _____ Location: _____ Contact: _____ Aid Year: _____	

UHY determination may be made based on a documented interview if other documentation isn't available:

Fixed (stationary, permanent, not subject to change)

- Where are you living? Is it permanent or temporary?

Regular (used on a predictable, routine or consistent basis)

- Why are you staying in your current place? How long have you been staying there?
- Do you stay in the same place every night, or move around a lot?
- Are you looking for another place to live? Do you plan to move out soon?
- Do you share the home equally, or are you like a guest in the home? Do you have a key to the place?
- Could they ask you to leave if they wanted to?
- Where would you go if you couldn't stay where you are (or in the dorm)?

Adequate (sufficient for meeting both physical and psychological needs typically met in a home)

- How many people live in the home? How many bedrooms and bathrooms does it have?
- Are you sleeping in a bedroom, or a public area like a dining room?
- Does the home have utilities and water? Is it safe?

At-Risk (housing may cease to be fixed, regular, adequate – ex: being evicted)

- Is your current housing situation likely to end? Are you able to sustain it or are you at risk of being evicted?

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Approved - Student is UHY and should have independent status

Denied - Student is not UHY and should have dependent status.

If the student is self-supporting, the student's housing is likely to cease to be fixed, regular and adequate, and the student is not under the care of a parent or guardian, he or she meets the definition and qualifies as independent.

FAA Name

Title

FAA Signature

Date