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McKinney-Vento Act establishes the definition of homeless used by U.S. public schools, and the educational rights to which homeless children and youth are entitled as:

- The term “homeless children and youth”—
  - A. means individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence...;
  - and B. includes —
    - i. children and youths who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; or are abandoned in hospitals;
    - ii. children and youths who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings...;
    - iii. children and youths who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings;
    - and iv. migratory children who qualify as homeless for the purposes of this subtitle because the children are living in circumstances described in clauses (i) through (iii).