



## TRYING TO GO TO COLLEGE? LIVING ON YOUR OWN WITHOUT STABLE HOUSING?

**Do you live in any of the following situations apart from your parents and with no financial support from them?**

- ☒ In a shelter, motel, vehicle, or campground
- ☒ On the street, in an abandoned building, or in another inadequate space
- ☒ Doubled-up temporarily with other people because you have nowhere else to stay
- ☒ In the dorm, but with nowhere else to stay when the dorms close
- ☒ Supporting yourself, but on the verge of losing housing

**If so, you may qualify as an independent student on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).**

This means that you don't have to include your parents' information on your FAFSA. Speak with any of the following persons to discuss your eligibility:

- ☒ The local homeless education liaison in your K-12 school district
- ☒ The director of a HUD-funded or Runaway and Homeless Youth Act-funded shelter where you have stayed or received services
- ☒ The financial aid administrator of the college where you are applying or where you attend

Local Contact Information

National Center for Homeless Education | <http://nche.ed.gov> | [homeless@serve.org](mailto:homeless@serve.org)

