



# 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 accommodation?
- Doubled-up temporarily with other people because you have nowhere else to live?
- In the dorm, but with nowhere else to live during school breaks when dorms close?
- Supporting yourself, but at risk of losing housing?

If so, you may qualify as an independent student on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) when applying for federal financial aid for college. Speak with any of the following persons to discuss your eligibility:

- The Local Homeless Education Liaison in your school district (graduating high school seniors)
- The director of a HUD-funded or Runaway and Homeless Youth Act-funded shelter where you have stayed or received services
- The college financial aid administrator of the college you attend or where you are applying



[www.nasfaa.org](http://www.nasfaa.org)

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Additional resources available from:

National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth • [www.naehcy.org](http://www.naehcy.org) College Goal Sunday • [www.collegegoalsundayusa.org](http://www.collegegoalsundayusa.org)