

## **Homeless Children and Youth**

**Chapter 33 of Iowa Administrative Code defines “Homeless child or youth” as a child or youth from the age of 3 years through 21 years who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence and includes the following:**

- 1. A child or youth who is sharing the housing or other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; is living in a motel, hotel trailer park or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; is living in an emergency or transitional shelter; is abandoned in a hospital; or is awaiting foster care placement**
- 2. A child or youth who has 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**
- 3. A child or youth who is living in a car, park, public space, abandoned building, substandard housing, bus or train station, or similar setting or**
- 4. A migratory child or youth who qualifies as homeless because the child or youth is living in circumstances described in paragraphs “1” through “3” above**

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