

# Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Status Form



The FAFSA Simplification Act includes new requirements for Financial Aid Administrators (FAAs) to accept or make determinations of a youth’s status as unaccompanied and homeless, or as unaccompanied, self-supporting, and at risk of homelessness. Youth who meet these definitions are included in the Act’s definition of “independent student” and do not need parental information to complete the FAFSA. These requirements went into effect in the 2023-2024 award year.

## Student Information

**Full Name:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Campus:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Student ID :**

\_\_\_\_\_

**College Email:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:**

\_\_\_\_\_

## Section 1: Documentation

Do you have documentation from any of the following authorized entities that attests that you have experienced homelessness as an unaccompanied youth, or were unaccompanied, self-supporting, and at risk of homelessness, any time on or after July 1 prior to the FAFSA award year for which you are applying (for example, July 1, 2025 for the 2026–2027 FAFSA)?

Check all that apply and attach the documentation to this form:

School district homeless liaison

Shelter, outreach program, or drop-in center staff

TRIO or GEAR UP program staff

Financial aid administrator from another college

I do NOT have documentation  
(Continue to section 2)

**If you have documentation from one of the sources above, please submit it with this form. You may skip the remaining sections and go directly to the Certification (signature) section.**

## Section 2: Current Living Situation

Which of the following best describes your current living situation (Select all that apply):

- |   |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Motel or hotel | <input type="checkbox"/> Shelter or temporary housing program | <input type="checkbox"/> Staying temporarily with others |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Car            | <input type="checkbox"/> Substandard housing                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Campsite       |   |  |

## Section 3: If Staying with Others

If you are staying with another household, check the circumstances that apply:

- |   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lost your housing  | <input type="checkbox"/> Unsafe to live with parent/guardian | <input type="checkbox"/> Family conflict or other situation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Financial hardship | <input type="checkbox"/> Parent/guardian asked you to leave  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                       |

If you could not stay where you are now, where would you go:

\_\_\_\_\_

## Section 4: Independent Living Status

*The following questions help determine if you are unaccompanied and homeless, or at risk of homelessness*

Do you pay for your own living expenses? (Yes/No): \_\_\_\_\_

Is your housing situation likely to change soon? (Yes/No): \_\_\_\_\_

Are you living without a parent or guardian? (Yes/No): \_\_\_\_\_

## Section 5: Student Statement

Provide details about your situation:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Section 6: Certification

*I certify that the information provided on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that providing false or misleading information may affect my financial aid eligibility.*

**Student Name (Print):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_