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**tutor at
our local
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**weekend food
bags in
collaboration
with our local
food pantry**

**paying for
students
drivers eds
classes**

**Graduation
Coach for
Homeless
students**

**Partnership with
local housing
agency to provide
district referred
homeless families
with housing
navigation, support
and barrier removal**

What challenges has your district encountered in using your ARP-HCY funds?

Time to be able to work on this due to SWK role responsibilities in the school

couldn't think of ideas

District Admin has made decisions about funds, with no input from Social Workers

Lack of ideas

district procedures

Communication - there are several districts on our border so we are constantly needing to communicate the needs of qualifying families

district boundaries and policy challenges for usage -

Sustainability

Lack of transportation options

Lack of available taxi or other transportation options

Staff to drive our shuttles when transporting students.

Wasn't able to add input :(Admin determined.

Communication with families and business administration

My administrator denies most of my requests or states that the orders need to be approved by DPI prior to placing the order.

Communication with Admin to Secretarial Staff such as the ones who deal with the the homeless issues in our District

being new to this district/role - determining priorities and appropriate spending

Our district struggles to identify students due to small town stigma

Lack of decision making. It took awhile but we were able to decide on purchasing a van for transport.

timeline - or how to discontinue the support.

Lack of support from building management---plan was to purchase washer and dryers for each building

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Sustainability.

opportunities with short-term funds

Honestly don't even know if my district receives any funds-figured it out. Nominal...

Challenges with knowledge of how much funding is available from school supervisor and access to use the funds

We were hoping for a van, but received some push back so I am excited to hear that others are able to use funds for this!

Not having resources for MV students target them as MV students when they are only available for MV students - i.e can't buy items for clothing closet as it is not just MV students

Tracking mechanisms to be able to claim funds appropriately - i.e. gas cards at time of use not time of purchase

We are a smaller district and wanted to make sure our funds came to us (not CESA) so we found another local district to partner with

sustainability, not wanting to implement something that we cannot/possibly could not continue

It takes weeks before an order request is even approved.

Finding people to fill identified positions as they are short term positions - part-time positions

What are your thoughts on spending your district's remaining funds after today's discussion?

lots of new ideas on ways to support students experiencing homelessness. Help with gas or food cards. Transportation costs to alleviate barriers on getting to school

Additional contract time for our M-V coordinator, short-term hotel stays.

extended contracts for Mc-V staff

Hiring staff - we had a MKV family move in whose child appears to need a 1:1 aid. Could funds be used for this?

track phone, personal care items, clothing, staff extended contract, gift cards, college fees (FAFSA, applications)

Gas cards

looking into contracted opportunities with community partners

gift cards

I'm interested in the purchase of a vehicle for McV.

track phones, especially for UY

Can you purchase transportation or pre paid gas cards in advance to spend the money knowing you will need it in the future? Or can it only be spent on an immediate need?

Additional training/for secretarial staff who deal with enrollment and or help with the homeless issues.

Purchase of a van :)

Tutoring/After school academic opportunities

Pick N Save grocery cards, Contact with tutors to go to the shelters to tutor our students, After school tutoring programs for McKinney Vento students or Summer programming

Ditto

summer programs

Basic needs

Would like to purchase store cards and washer/dryer for families to utilize.

Grocery cards

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more community partnerships that are already doing some of the services that are needed

I'd love to explore purchasing a van

PD regarding homelessness, resources available, and the impact on students

College Visit expenses for students transitioning to higher education

Training for some staff to better support the mental health of our students who are experiencing homelessness...

Books that support the counselors and assistants in literacy that address homelessness. Characters with similar stories.