Appendix Q: Resources and Services Available Through NCHE

The National Center for Homeless Education (NCHE) provides research, resources, and information enabling communities to address the educational needs of children experiencing homelessness. Funded by the U.S. Department of Education, the Center serves as a clearinghouse of information for people seeking to remove or overcome educational barriers and improve educational opportunities and outcomes for children and youth experiencing homelessness. The Center also supports educators and service providers through producing training and awareness materials and providing training at regional and national conferences and events.

Appendix Q contains:

■ NCHE Helpline and Listserv brochure

Additional Resources:

■ Homeless Education Helpline - 800-308-2145 or homeless@serve.org: NCHE’s Homeless Education Helpline offers assistance to:
  ■ Community organizations and members interested in networking on behalf of homeless children and their families.
  ■ Parents needing contact information concerning school enrollment, transportation and other school-related issues, shelter locations, social services, health departments, and other community services.
  ■ People with an interest in federal and state legislation protecting the rights of homeless children and youth.
  ■ School personnel seeking information about homeless education programs, the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, or promising practices in homeless education.
  ■ Shelter providers seeking assistance for homeless families with school enrollment and access to appropriate educational opportunities and services.
■ **Homeless Education Listserv**: NCHE’s Homeless Education Listserv provides colleagues across the nation with a forum for communicating about emerging issues in the field of homeless education, including the application of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act and strategies for educating and protecting the rights of homeless children and their families. To subscribe, send an e-mail request to [homeless@serve.org](mailto:homeless@serve.org).

■ **NCHE Website**: NCHE’s website ([http://www.serve.org/nche](http://www.serve.org/nche)) is a comprehensive source of information on supporting the education of children and youth experiencing homelessness. Website highlights include:

  ■ Best practices and model programs
  ■ Disaster planning and response resources
  ■ Information by topic
  ■ Legislative information
  ■ Online forum with downloadable and customizable tools and resources
  ■ State and local resources

■ **Publications and Products**: NCHE provides many publications and products to the homeless education community at no charge. For a complete listing of NCHE publications and products, visit [http://www.serve.org/nche/products.php](http://www.serve.org/nche/products.php).