**FY2025**

**FC 0310 – McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Grant (competitive) – Round 2**

**Questions and Responses**

Please email questions to [achievement@mass.gov](mailto:achievement@mass.gov) with the

Subject Line: FY2025 FC 3102 Question

*Questions and responses will be posted here and updated periodically until the grant due date.*

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# **Questions 8/19/2024 Through 8/23/2024**

**Question**: I am interested in applying for FY2025 FC0310 Round 2 McKinney Vento Homeless Education Grant and I have a few questions about grant fund use. Is there someone I could meet with? Our district is newly eligible for the grant since we have 34 students experiencing homelessness in 2023-24 and are very interested but need a bit of guidance. I am trying to better understand how districts use these funds if they are supplemental and can't be used for the most high-need resources for our students experiencing homelessness (transportation, housing, food, etc.). I would also be open to connecting with other districts who receive the funding and would love to learn from them how they effectively use the funds for support services and family engagement as we are hoping to improve our programming.

**Response**: To learn how the grant fund could be used under this grant, please refer to the fund in the [RFP](https://www.doe.mass.edu/grants/2025/3102/). To connect with any previous grant award districts, check our [Grant Allocations and Awards](https://www.doe.mass.edu/grants/awards.html) for more information.

**Question**: We're completing the second round application for FC310-2 and I don't see a place to attach our MOU.

**Response**: To upload any attached documents for grant application in GEM$, go to ***Related Document*** section to upload any documents as needed.

# **Questions 8/26/2024 Through 8/30/2024**

**Question:** Is this additional funding for the McKinney Vento Grant?

**Response:** No, this grant opportunity is the same as FC310’s first round, with the remaining funds for grant distribution. Please note that: *Districts that applied for FY25 FC 0310 (Round 1) are only eligible to apply for grant categories for which they were not awarded in Round 1.*

**Question:** I am unable to enter any text or respond to the grant items in GEM$ for FY25 FC 3102. Please advise as to why I am unable to enter the grant information for submission.

**Response**: If you are experiencing a technical issue with GEM$, please go to Contact DESE on GEM$, or contact GEM$ Support Team (781)338-6595 or email at [edgrants@mass.gov](mailto:edgrants@mass.gov).

## **Questions 9/3/2024 Through 9/6/2024**

**Question**: I am trying to better understand how districts use these funds if they are supplemental and can't be used for the most high-need resources for our students experiencing homelessness (transportation, housing, food, etc.). I am also curious as to whether or not I could make a consortium using XXXXX Charter School XXXXX Charter School. They are two different districts with different LEA codes, but one has about 35 students who are experiencing homelessness and the other only has about 10 students experiencing homelessness.

**Response** Your charter school needs to decide whether it wants to apply for the grant individually or as part of a consortium with another charter school. If one school has about ten enrolled homeless students, it will not be eligible to apply for the grant independently. Both schools should consider whether applying for the grant together will be beneficial in terms of sharing resources.