

## [Westchester County Child and Youth Homelessness Dashboard \(WCCYHD\) 2021](#)

***This visualization is best viewed on the desktop.***

The Westchester Children’s Association (WCA) has launched an important new Dashboard — [Westchester County Child and Youth Homelessness Dashboard \(WCCYHD\)](#) — that brings to light key data on the scope and scale of children and youth across Westchester who are experiencing homelessness.

While conducting research for our report, “Making the Invisible Visible: Westchester’s Hidden Homeless Children and Youth” (2019,) we realized that there was limited public data on the factors that exacerbate or perpetuate homelessness such as racial inequity. We dug deeper and got more information about public school students experiencing homelessness by their age, race, and school district using FOIL requests. Thanks to our partners at the Westchester County Department of Social Services (DSS) and Westchester Continuum of Care Partnership to End Homelessness, we are able to present information about housing situations, shelter occupancy, usage of support services, length of homelessness, and housing circumstances.

We hope that this information helps our communities to see where children are slipping through the cracks so that we can apply a more universal definition of homelessness among organizations and provide more support to those in need.