## CHILDREN AND YOUTH EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS

## WHO IS HOMELESS?

- Children and youth living in battered women's and transitional housing shelters
   Runaways and youths who have been "thrown-out" of their own home environment or have left due to abuse
- Children and youth living in "doubled up" over-crowded situations with or without their parents, with friends or relatives because they have been displaced from their previous residence due to an emergency situation
- Children and youth living in cars, abandoned buildings and/or on the street
- Children and youth living temporarily in trailer parks or campgrounds because they lack a permanent place to live



- Runaways and youths who have been "thrown-out" of their own home environment or have left due to abuse and who are living in a shelter, on the street, or who move from one friend's house to another in a cycle of transience
- Children and youth placed in DCF
   STARR placements and bridge homes

## WHERE CAN I GET HELP?

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