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A preliminary analysis of our child count for students experiencing homeless in 2022-23 indicates a return to pre-pandemic levels. School divisions identified over 19,000 students last year as being in homeless situations. Our counts for young children experiencing homelessness remain less than expected, with subgrant school divisions reporting that they served 940 children under the age of three. All Virginia school divisions reported identifying 601 children experiencing homelessness enrolled in their public schools preschool programs.

We have been working on rebranding and outreach materials with our state American Rescue Plan Homeless Children and Youth funds. We have a 13-minute video that provides a good overview of how McKinney-Vento and early childhood programs, including EI, can work together. In addition, we have short, animated videos that further narrow the audience with highlights. One will be for EI and early childhood special education. Finally, our new Parent Pack is nearing completion and will be available with all inserts in English and Spanish.

Note for minutes: These materials should be done before our next meeting. Maybe we can make time to view during the meeting; I'll bring Parent Packs.