

# HOMEWORK STARTS WITH HOME

Families Housed, Students Learning



## The Issue

8,696 students were identified as homeless on October 1st, 2017. Studies show that homeless students on average:

- are more likely to be chronically absent
- score lower on math & reading assessments
- are more likely to struggle with **mental health**

## The Solution

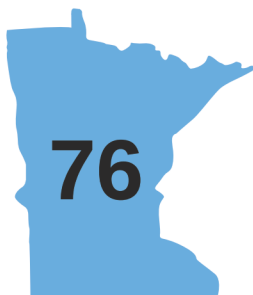
Homework Starts with Home! A cross-agency program that recognizes the impact of stable housing and stable families on the attendance, social and academic success of MN's students.

## Goal: Increased & Base Funding for Homework Starts with Home!

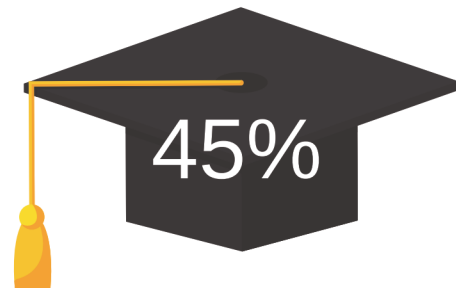
*Homeless and Highly Mobile Pilot Parent: "When you're chasing a safe place to sleep you might end up far from where you need to be the next day, and that was true for myself with work and my kids with school."*



percentage of families in the pilot stably housed at program exit



Number of Minnesota counties with a homeless student during 2017-18 SY



Percentage of homeless students who graduated High School in 2017

# MN STUDENT HOMELESSNESS BY THE NUMBERS

## MN Schools With Homeless Students

Based on October 1  
Enrollment Data (MDE)

1,239

37.6%

2015 Wilder Homeless  
Survey

## Overrepresentation of American Indian and African American Students

Based on October 1  
Enrollment Data (MDE)

6x

4.5x

of Homeless 3rd graders  
Demonstrate Reading  
Proficiency

MDE Analysis of Minnesota  
Comprehensive Assessment  
Scores