

# Homeless Determination by Financial Aid Administrator

Student Name	Student ID Number

You have submitted your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) indicating you are unaccompanied homeless youth or unaccompanied, self-supporting at risk of being homeless youth but do not have any of the following documentation below:

- High school or school district homeless liaison determination that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless.
- Director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development determination that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless.
- Director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program determination that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless.
- A financial aid administrator at another institution who documented your circumstance in a prior award year.

## Instructions:

If you have documentation for any of the above situations, please submit that documentation to the Financial Aid Office. If you do not have documentation for any of the above situations, please continue below. To be determined by the Financial Aid Office as meeting the criteria for unaccompanied homeless youth or unaccompanied, self-supporting at risk of being homeless youth for the aid year, you must meet a combination or all the following definitions below.

## **Homeless Youth Definitions:**

- At risk of being homeless when a student's housing may cease to be fixed, regular, and adequate, for example, a student who is being evicted and has been unable to find fixed, regular, and adequate housing.
- Homeless lacking fixed, regular, and adequate housing
- Self-Supporting when a student pays for their own living expenses, including fixed, regular, and adequate housing
- Unaccompanied when a student is not living in the physical custody of a parent or guardian

### Housing:

- Fixed stationary, permanent and not subject to change
- Regular used on a predictable, routine, or consistent basis
- Adequate sufficient for meeting both the physical and psychological needs typically met in the home

### Please submit to the Financial Aid Office:

- 1. In your own words, a signed and dated statement explaining how you fit any or all these definitions.
- At least one piece of third-party documentation (signed and dated letter from anyone that also understands your circumstances, rental agreements, doctor's notes, etc.) to support your claim. You may submit more than one piece of third-party documentation, but at least one must be submitted.

Once we receive your statement, we may request a follow-up interview with you to determine if you meet any of these criteria.

Submit Completed Form via the Student Portal Mail: UMass Global Financial Aid Office, 65 Enterprise, Suite 150, Aliso Viejo CA 92656-2707