



What is Youth REACH MD?

Youth REACH MD (REACH stands for Reach out, Engage, Assist and Count to end Homelessness) is the work of a coalition of state and local public officials and agencies, nonprofits and volunteers to count and identify the real needs of youth and young adults who are unaccompanied and experiencing homelessness in Maryland.

This survey is being conducted as part of that effort, which was established by the Maryland General Assembly in 2014 (Chapter 425 of House Bill 794).

The Institute for Innovation & Implementation at the University of Maryland School of Social Work is coordinating Youth REACH activities with funding support from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, who is the State's lead agency overseeing the project.

Learn more at www.youthreachmd.org

Youth REACH MD Survey Consent to Participate

Youth REACH MD is asking students to take a survey in their schools. This is an anonymous and voluntary survey that asks students experiencing homelessness questions about your housing, whether you tried to get help, your sexual orientation, reasons for problems with housing, and others. The survey also asks about your family and the relationship with your parents.

Important Things to Know:

1. **Taking part is voluntary:** Taking part in this survey is completely voluntary. If you choose to take the survey, you can stop at any time without consequences of any kind. You may also choose to skip questions that you do not feel comfortable answering.

2. **Your answers will be confidential:** Your responses will be kept private.

I have read and understand and agree with the statements above. By initialing below, I agree to participate in this survey.

Initials: _____ Date: _____

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