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TO: School Committee

FROM: Liam Hurley, Assistant Superintendent / Chief Financial and Administrative Officer

DATE: February 6, 2023

RE: Vote to Accept McKinney-Vento State Reimbursement for Homeless Students and Foster

Care Transportation

Due to a procedural change we are requesting a new vote of the School Committee to approve a request to the Mayor's office to docket a vote of City Council to appropriate the state reimbursement of \$209,832.31 for McKinney Vento Homeless Student Transportation (0130101-433007) and \$34,989.00 for Foster Care Transportation (0130101-433008) to the School Department. Current receipts total \$244,821.31. Please see breakdown below.

	FY21			FY22						Transfer Request
			Free			Free			Free	
	Date		Cash	Date		Cash	Date		Cash	
	Rcvd	\$	Certified	Rcvd	\$	Certified	Rcvd	\$	Certified	\$
McKinney										
Vento				8/3/21	\$40,574.31	Υ	6/29/22	\$169,258.00	Υ	\$209,832.31
Foster Care	6/22/21	\$20,252.00	Υ	6/28/22	\$14,737.00	Υ				\$34,989.00
									Total	\$244,821.31

Appropriating these funds to the School Department will allow for the district to directly offset a portion of the cost of bus transportation in FY23.

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, reauthorized in December 2001 as part of the Federal No Child Left Behind Act, ensures educational right and protection for children and youth experiencing homelessness. The Massachusetts Educational Plan provides services aimed at preventing homeless children from experiencing further instability in their lives by minimizing their moves from school to school.

The Foster Care Transportation reimbursement is new, starting in FY21.

CC: Stephen Curley, Comptroller
Maureen Lemeiux, Chief Financial Officer
Carol Moore, City Clerk