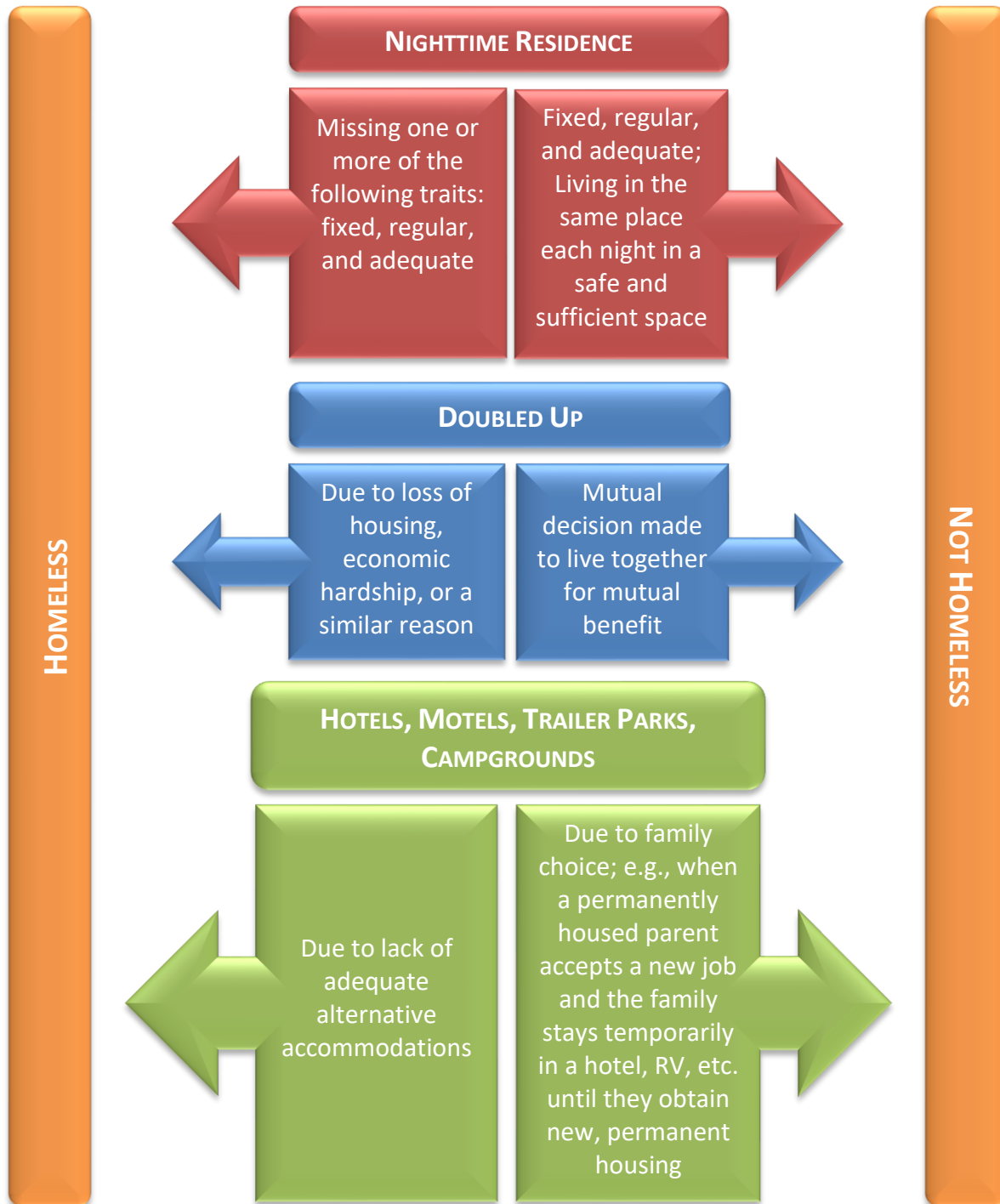


Flowchart for McKinney-Vento Eligibility Determinations

This flowchart is meant to aid you in making decisions about a student’s eligibility as homeless under the McKinney-Vento Act (42 U.S.C. 11431 *et seq.*), but it may not capture every housing situation. For the complete definition of *homeless*, visit <https://nche.ed.gov/mckinney-vento-definition/>. For more information on making determinations, see the related issue brief from the National Center for Homeless Education at https://nche.ed.gov/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/det_elig.pdf.



HOMELESS

NOT HOMELESS

HOUSING TYPE

← A place not meant for people to live; e.g., porch, barn, storage unit, streets, car, etc.

← Substandard housing; e.g., unsafe, not up to code, etc. (Contact district liaison for guidance)

SITUATIONS BELOW PERTAIN TO UNACCOMPANIED YOUTH, I.E., YOUTH NOT IN THE *PHYSICAL* CUSTODY OF A PARENT OR GUARDIAN

← Family lost housing; unable to stay together in same place; placed child temporarily with someone else

← Child or youth lives apart from parent/guardian due to domestic violence or family conflict; housing is not fixed, regular, adequate

← Parent abandoned child; did not make long-term child care arrangements

→ Parent has a work conflict & made arrangements for child to stay with others

← Incarcerated or hospitalized parent did not make arrangements for child's care

→ Incarcerated or hospitalized parent arranged for child to stay with caregiver