## 211 Texas/United Way HELPLINE

If you or someone you know needs help, dial 211. Help 24/7 in many languages.

### **IN-TAKE PROCESS**

# Student calling:

- 1. Dial 211
- 2. Select the language preference
- 3. Provide your age and zip code
- 4. They may ask additional questions, but you do not have to disclose if you prefer
- 5. Be ready to provide the basic needs you are seeking e.g.: food, rent, shelter etc.
- 6. Agent will either email you the resources or give them directly over the phone (Make sure you have pen and paper ready.)
- 7. Inquire to get up to three sources per need (Sometimes they offer more.)

### Calling on behalf of students:

- 1. Dial 211
- 2. Select the language preference
- 3. Need the student's age and zip code
- 4. Know if the student is a veteran or not
- 5. Be ready to provide the basic needs student is seeking e.g.: food, rent, shelter etc.
- 6. Agent will either email you the resources or give them directly on the phone (Make sure you have pen and paper ready.)
- 7. Inquire to get up to three sources per need (Sometimes they offer more.)

#### Website: (If you choose to search online, please visit UnitedWayHouston.org)

- 1. On the top left-hand side click "need help."
- 2. Scroll down and choose to "email the helpline", "search online", or "dial 211."
- 3. If you choose search online, you will be taken into another website where you can search by type of services, zip codes, or keywords to find resources.
- 4. If the student chooses to email the helpline, please provide the email address help@unitedwayhouston.org

Disclaimer: This flowchart is for basic needs crisis, but not mental health crisis. For mental health crises, call/text 9-8-8 or call The Harris Center at 713-970-7000 option 1. For emergencies, contact 911.