



FAIRFAX COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY (FSS) PROGRAM

Opportunities for *Project Based Voucher* and *Housing Choice Voucher* Participants who are interested in becoming self-sufficient!

WHAT IS FSS?

❖ Family Self-Sufficiency or FSS is a special program offered to families in HCV or PBV. Over a 5-year period FSS provides participants with individualized case management, referrals to resources and services and, guidance in goal setting and achievement. The program is completely voluntary.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF ENROLLING IN FSS?

❖ Residents will work with a case manager to set personal goals and obtain resources and referral services for:

- o Job Training and Career Counseling
- o Education/Self-Improvement
- o Credit/Financial Counseling
- o Budgeting
- o Child Care
- o Transportation
- o Personal and Family Counseling
- o Treatment for Substance Abuse
- o Financial incentives through escrow

Once participants complete the goals on their FSS contract/service plan, graduates can choose how they will use their escrow accounts. Most graduates decide to:

- o Pay off debts
- o Pay off student loans
- o Invest in college for children
- o Purchase a car /Purchase a home

Annual Earned Income		Monthly Escrow Credit
\$10,000	\$14,999	\$50
\$15,000	\$19,999	\$100
\$20,000	\$24,999	\$125
\$25,000	\$29,999	\$150
\$30,000	\$34,999	\$175
\$35,000	\$39,999	\$200
\$40,000	\$44,999	\$225
\$45,000	\$49,999	\$250
\$50,000	\$54,999	\$275
\$55,000	\$59,999	\$300
\$60,000	\$64,999	\$325
\$65,000	\$69,999	\$350
\$70,000	\$74,999	\$375
\$75,000	\$79,999	\$400
\$80,000	Above	\$425

WHAT IS AN ESCROW AND HOW CAN IT HELP?

❖ An escrow account is a savings account that earns interest and is managed by HCD. FSS Participants in the program will have a portion of their rent payment set aside (according to their earned income – see escrow table) in an escrow account.

For more information, please call to speak with an FSS Coordinator at (703) 246-5100 or TTY : 711



The information in this flyer will be made available to persons with disabilities in an alternative format upon request. Call 703 246 5101 or 703 385 3578. Please allow 48 hours for preparation of materials.

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Alt. Phone: _____
T-Code: _____ Email: _____

I am a HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM (HCV) participant.

I am a PROJECT BASED VOUCHER (PBV) participant.

If you are interested in the FSS program, please complete this form and fax it to 703-653-1382 or send by mail to:

ATTN: FSS Program Coordinator
Fairfax County Department of Housing & Community Development
3700 Pender Drive, Suite 100
Fairfax, VA 22030-6039

..... DETACH INTEREST FORM HERE AND MAIL TO HCD.....

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

Step 1: Discuss the program with your Housing Specialist or contact an FSS Coordinator and determine whether you are willing to make the commitment.

Step 2: Complete the interest form at the top of this sheet and follow mailing instructions.

Step 3: Check the mail! As soon as we receive your information, we will send you an invitation to an FSS Information Session.

Step 4: RSVP to the FSS invitation.

Step 5: Attend the information session and receive your enrollment package.

Step 6: Submit your completed application packet. You will be contacted for an enrollment interview.