

If you are interested in attending an orientation for the Family Self Sufficiency Program, please complete this form and return it to the Oshkosh/ Winnebago Housing Authority.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

EMPLOYMENT:

- Working Part-time
- Working Full-time
- Unemployed/Under-employed

EDUCATION:

- Obtained High School Diploma/GED/HSED
- Currently Enrolled in School
- Plan to Enroll in School

GOALS:

- Employment
- Start a Business
- Continue Education
- Save Money

Join us! The FSS Program Coordinating Committee (PCC) is comprised of Housing Authority staff, Partner community agencies, and Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher or Public Housing residents. You're invited to attend! Please contact the FSS Coordinator for the next FSS Program Coordinating Committee meeting.

If you are interested in FSS or participating in activities or meetings, contact:

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Oshkosh Housing Authority and Winnebago County Housing Authority



FSS

Family Self Sufficiency Program



ABOUT

What is FSS?

This is a voluntary case management program designed to assist families in becoming self-supporting.

HOW TO GET STARTED

Eligibility

- Must be in Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program, Waite Rug, Raulf Place, Court Tower, or Scattered Site Public Housing.
- Must be in full compliance with Public Housing or HCV family obligations and lease.
- FSS Participant must seek and maintain suitable employment or participate in agreed-upon education and training program.

How do you enroll?

- Submit FSS Interest Application or call the FSS Coordinator to set up an appointment.
- Work with FSS Coordinator to develop a self-sufficiency plan.

What to expect?

- Regular contact with an FSS Coordinator. A coordinator will provide opportunities to problem solve obstacles before they arise and support you while attaining your goals.
- Collaboration of your FSS Coordinator with other agencies to best serve your needs.

Requirements

- Commitment!
- Complete activities as outlined on your plan.

ADVANTAGES

Your FSS Coordinator will link you to supportive services to help you reach goals such as:

WORK SKILLS

- Career Planning and Job Search
- Start Your Own Business
- Pre-employment Assistance (Resumes, Applications, etc,)
- Community Agency Referrals
- Transportation
- Child Care
- Other Work Supports
- Job Advancement/ Skill Training

EDUCATION

- Assessment and Planning
- Language and Basic Education
- Attending University or Technical College
- Apprenticeship Opportunities
- Financial Aid Planning

FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENT

- Asset Accumulation through the FSS Escrow Account
- Budget and Savings Planning
- Cleaning Up Bad Credit

OTHER SERVICES

- Emergency Needs
- Legal Referral
- Health
- Parenting
- Workshops
- Seminars

What makes FSS different? ESCROW ACCOUNT

FSS participants have the opportunity to start an escrow account in order to build savings:

- The FSS program establishes an interest-bearing savings account for each participant.
- Monthly deposits are made when rent increases due to an increase in **earned income**.
- You are awarded your escrow once you have successfully graduated from the FSS program and have reached self-sufficiency.

How to Successfully Graduate:

Meet all the goals and activities you have established for your FSS contact and be free of TANF cash assistance.



ESCROW EXAMPLE

Tenant Rent after income increase:	\$200.00
Original Tenant Rent:	-100.00
Monthly escrow deposit:	100.00

\$100 x 12 months = \$1200 per year

ESCROW ACCOUNT AFTER 5 YEARS: \$6,000

WHAT IS YOUR GOAL?