

Family Self Sufficiency

The Family Self Sufficiency Program is a program of the U. S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD). It was established in 1990 by Section 554 of the National Affordable Housing Act.

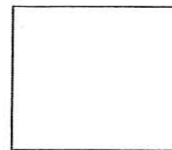
The Housing Authority of the County of Lackawanna is in partnership with several community partners in successfully operating this program.

In order for the program to work it will take cooperation from all of the partners involved. It starts with you.



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Housing Choice Voucher Program
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FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY
PARTICIPANT



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What is FSS?

The Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) Program is for current Housing Choice Voucher Participants seeking to achieve economic self-sufficiency.

The program is a five (5) year commitment that will require participants to work with many different community partners in reaching their goals.

It is a voluntary program that can help the participant obtain training, an education, financial and employment skills.

Upon successful completion of the program you could possibly receive money that was placed in an escrow savings for you.



How Does It Work?

You would need to complete an application and return it to your Voucher Housing Specialist.

The Voucher Housing Specialist will give your application to the FSS Worker who will meet with the Participant for a preliminary assessment of the family's needs. The FSS Worker will discuss the participation in the program and how it relates to their housing.

The Participant will then receive a full needs assessment for the family.

HACL along with the family will then establish an Individual Training & Service Plan (ITSP) based on the full assessment. The ITSP is signed by the Head of Household and HACL.

Short as well as a final goal will be set to help the participant achieve as close to a living wage as possible.

HACL will monitor and submit progress reports to U. S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) throughout the contract period.

During the contract period HACL could be setting aside money in a bank account on behalf of the participant to receive at a later date. (When your earned income increases HACL could deposit the increase amount into a separate bank account.)

Successful completion is reached when the participant has obtained all of the goals that were set in the ITSP and five (5) years has ended; or if the participant's family share is equal to or greater than 80% of the Payment Standard for the voucher size.

The savings will be given to you that you can use for a down payment on a home, an automobile or to further your education. The money is tax free.

Sign-up Form

When is the right time to sign up?

The sooner the better!
Gain knowledge and economic independence.

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