Why join the Family Self Sufficiency (FSS)? program?

The FSS program is an opportunity to invest in yourself and your family to:

- ♦ Finish High School
- ♦ Attend college
- ♦ Find a job (or a better job)
- ♦ Address childcare needs
- ♦ Address mental and physical health concerns
- ♦ Family goals
- ♦ Repair your credit

All while building up a savings escrow account.



If you are currently a Housing Choice Voucher, aka Section 8, holder from either Greenfield Housing Authority or Franklin County Regional Housing and Re-Development Authority may be eligible to take advantage of this life changing opportunity.

Are you motivated to take control of your life?

If yes, the Family Self-Sufficiency program is right for you!





Did you know as an FSS participant, as your earned income goes up, you may be eligible to have contributions deposited into an escrow (savings) account for you?

IT'S TRUE!!

Call ME!!



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Family Self Sufficiency Program

The Family Self-Sufficiency Program supports Housing Choice Voucher holders in achieving their Career and Financial Independence goals.



Offered by:
Greenfield Housing Authority
and
Franklin County Regional Housing
& Redevelopment Authority

Frequently Asked Questions



Will being in the FSS program effect my Housing Choice Voucher?

 No, even if you voluntarily leave the FSS Program there is no negative effect on your voucher.

How long does it take to complete the FSS Program?

♦ It generally takes up to 5 years but with extensions it can take 7 years.

Why would someone need an extension?

- ♦ To complete a degree or training program
- ♦ Caring for a sick family member

How do I join the FSS program?

◆ Call or Email the FSS Coordinator to set up an appointment

Will I have to give up my Housing Choice Voucher to graduate from the FSS Program?

♦ No, if you are still income eligible,

What do I need to bring to the first meeting?

♦ Determination to become self-sufficient



Think of us as life coaches!!

What are the benefits?

Achieve Goals:

We will work together to create <u>Specific</u>, <u>Measurable</u>, <u>Achievable</u>, <u>Relevant</u>, and <u>Time based personalized goals</u>.

Joining the FSS program is the first step in taking control of your future. We are here to support you every step of the way.



We build an escrow for you:

As your earned income increases your Housing Authority makes deposits to an escrow account on your behalf.

Upon successful graduation from the FSS program, the accumulated funds in your escrow account will be paid out to you and can be used as you wish.

Call today to set up a time to learn more about how you can take control of your future.

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What can you expect from the FSS Coordinator?

- ♦ Resource Coordination
- ♦ Information related to trainings, workshops, information sessions relevant to your goals
- ◆ Budget Assistance
- Support and Encouragement to accomplish your goals

To set up an appointment for further Information or to join:

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Signature:

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