## SNRHA FSS PROGRAM INTEREST FORM

The Southern Nevada Regional Housing Authority (SNRHA) is currently recruiting heads of households/adults who are interested in developing a personal plan for increasing their household income through a program of education, job training, job placement and/or supportive services. Most services are available virtually.

You must be receiving housing assistance from SNRHA to participate. Your name will be placed on the FSS waitlist once your interest form is received.

If you are interested in this program, please sign below and return this portion to

#### SNRHA FSS PROGRAM 340 NORTH 11TH STREET SUITE 100 LAS VEGAS, NV 89101

I have read the FSS Brochure and I am interested in learning more about the FSS Program. Please add my name to the waiting list to be scheduled for a FSS orientation session. I understand that attending the orientation DOES NOT OBLIGATE ME to participate in the FSS Program.

Head of Household Name

Last 4 Social Security Number

Signature

Date

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SNRHA does not discriminate on the basis of color, sex, religion, race, disability, familial status, age or national origin. Our agency provides reasonable accommodations to disabled participants to ensure programs and services are accessible. If you need a reasonable accommodation, please submit your request in writing to SNRHA at 340 North 11<sup>th</sup> Street, LV NV 89101, Attn: ADA/504 Officer.

If you feel you have a Fair Housing Complaint, please contact HUD at: 1-800-669-9777 or TTY: 1-800-927-9275.

Si usted no puede leer este documento por favor pida la asistencia de nuestro personal bilingue.

Here are what some FSS Graduates have to say about the program:



The FSS program definitely taught me a lot over the past 5 years. I have been able to accomplish many goals as well as learning to manage my finances and improve my credit. The workers that I had have been a blessing in disguise. S. C.

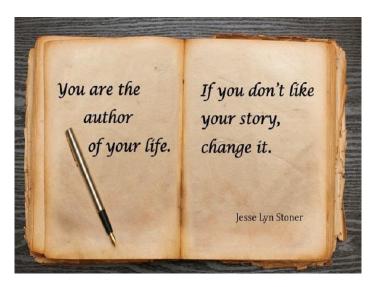
FSS is a program that inspired me to push harder, FSS supplied me with so many resources. I just did the foot work but at the end it was definitely worth it!! I am a HOMEOWNER! It's the best feeling in the world to strive for something Great and accomplish it. What I learned through my home buying process and the FSS program was patience, you must have a lot of patience. It's like a roller coaster it can become a little bumpy in the middle but will be smooth sailing at the end. **K.D.** 

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE FSS PROGRAM PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THE ATTACHED FORM

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# FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROGRAM (FSS)



Change your story Change your life!

## What is the Family Self-Sufficiency Program?

Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) is a voluntary program designed to assist families in becoming economically independent. With the support of local agencies, FSS combines case management, education, job training, and ongoing support to aid the family in improving their life. The main requirements are a desire to become self-sufficient and a commitment to take the steps necessary to make this happen.



## How can the FSS program help improve your life?

- Identify goals
- Identify and remove the barriers which could prevent achievement of goals
- Identify resources and services that are necessary for success
- Develop a plan to outline specific activities and actions needed to achieve goals
- Receive case management services, encouragement, motivation, and moral support to achieve goals

## What Support Services are available?

In order for FSS participants to successfully accomplish their goals they will need to address the barriers preventing success. The FSS Program attempts to provide collaboration with local agencies and service providers to address a wide variety of family issues including but not limited to:

- Career counseling
- Job Training
- Education (high school diploma, GED, college)
- Legal services
- Schild Care Assistance Referral
- Parenting skills
- Communication skills
- Drug and alcohol abuse counseling
- Self-Improvement Workshops
- Other relevant services

## **Housing Counseling**

SNRHA is a HUD approved housing counseling agency and the FSS Coordinators are HUD Certified Housing Counselors. HUD's Housing Counseling program provides counseling to consumers on seeking, financing, maintaining, renting, or owning a home. Under this program participants receive:

- Guidance on Financial planning
- Budgeting
- Credit Counseling
- Home buyer education
- Referrals for Down Payment Assistance

#### What's the Catch?

To complete the program, you must, obtain employment, complete all of **YOUR** goals, and all family members must be off Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) for at least 12 months prior to completion of contract.

### Who Can Participate?

You can participate in the FSS program if you are:

- Currently receiving housing assistance or residing in SNRHA Public Housing
- Head of Household/Adult 18 years of age or older
- Determined to make changes in your life circumstances
- Willing to accept challenges and take necessary steps in order to obtain better employment and/or education/job training
- Determined to free yourself from TANF



#### **ESCROW ACCOUNT**

How does the escrow account work?

An escrow account is a savings account established when your rent increases due to an increase in **earned** income.

Escrow account contributions are based on a formula established by HUD and <u>may not</u> <u>match rent increases dollar for dollar.</u>

Participants must successfully **achieve all goals** established in the Individual Service and Training Plan in order to be eligible to receive escrow funds upon completion of the FSS program.