

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

WILL I LOSE MY SECTION 8 RENTAL ASSISTANCE IF I FAIL TO COMPLETE MY FSS GOALS?

No, you will NOT lose your Section 8 rental assistance for any reason you cannot meet your commitments under the FSS program.

WILL I LOSE MY SECTION 8 RENTAL ASSISTANCE WHEN I GRADUATE FROM THE FSS PROGRAM?

No, you will continue to receive Section 8 rental assistance as long as you are eligible.



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CULVER CITY FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROGRAM



CURRENTLY ENROLLING!
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WHAT IS THE FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY (FSS) PROGRAM?

- The Culver City Family Self-Sufficiency Program is a voluntary 5-7 year program designed to assist families and individuals in achieving economic independence from cash assistance through education and planning.
- Participants determine their education/career goals and a case manager helps locate resources to help participants achieve this goal.
- The Culver City FSS program is open to families and individuals participating in the [Culver City Housing Authority's Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program](#).

WHAT DOES THE FAMILY SELF SUFFICIENCY PROGRAM OFFER?

- Individual/Family Case Management Services provided by St. Joseph Center
- Access to social services
- Comprehensive goal planning
- **Escrow Account**—Free Money

ST. JOSEPH CENTER

- St. Joseph Center is a non-profit agency located in Venice that has been contracted by Culver City Housing to run the Culver City Family Self-Sufficiency Program.
- St. Joseph Center Resources include:
 - Employment and Vocational Services
 - Linkage to Medical and Mental Health Services
 - Housing Advocacy
 - Transportation Services
 - St. Joseph Center Food Pantry
 - Back-to-School Supplies
 - Clipper's Day- Free Turkey and Trimmings Basket
 - Adopt-A-Family Christmas Gifts



FSS Participant with Codetalk Program Manager and LA

Codetalk is an all women's computer coding program at St. Joseph Center

UCLA Mobile Eye Clinic at St. Joseph Center



St. Joseph Center Food Pantry

WHAT IS THE FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY ESCROW ACCOUNT?

- The FSS Escrow Account is established when a participant has earned income and rent increase.
- As participants report their increased earnings, their escrow also increases. For example, if your escrow credit is \$200, then \$200 will be added to your escrow account each month.
- Participants have graduated with over \$25,000!

MEET ONE OF OUR FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY GRADUATES...



"For a time I struggled to ensure that my next step was in the right direction. The FSS program helped me find motivation and my direction improved."