If you are interested in learning more about the Family Self Sufficiency Program, contact:

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#### **ESCROW ACCOUNT**

As a participant in the FSS Program, once you are working and/or your household income increases, an Escrow (SAVINGS) Account will be established for you and will continue to grow on a monthly basis and accrue interest as long as you remain employed.

When you have completed your goals, have worked full time for at least one year, and no household member is receiving TAFCD, you will be eligible to receive your ESCROW.

Escrow amounts have averaged between \$3,000 - \$15,000.00. Past participants have used the money for a down payment on a home, for a new car, and to pay off debts. The money is yours to do as you chose. Most of all it is intended to help you and your family to have the means to remain self-sufficient after you complete the program.



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# Family Self Sufficiency

- Do you want to make a plan for your future?
- Where would you like to see yourself in five years?
- How do you see yourself planning & building a future?
- What kinds of information and resources do you need?
- ❖ Do you want help?

### **Resources & Information**

- Education
- Job Training
- Computer Classes
- > Home Ownership
- Credit Counseling
- > Childcare
- Childcare Subsidies
- Help with Addictions
- > Family Counseling
- Medical Services
- Financial Aid for College
- Job Hunting

The Family Self-Sufficiency program is a voluntary program for residents receiving Section 8 or Federal Public assistance. The goal of the program is to help you plan for your future.

You will develop a five-year plan and sign a contract. The contract is a plan of action on how you will reach your goals.

The Family Self-Sufficiency coordinator will help you develop and following your plan.

Information about resources and services will be provided.



