

Tompkins Community Action

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FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROGRAM

Are you a participant or home owner on our Housing Choice Voucher program?

Would you like assistance and support in setting and achieving your goals? The Family Self-Sufficiency program is a voluntary five-year program that can help you in setting your goals and much more!

- **Setting and attaining goals**
- **Obtaining employment**
- **Learn about financial management and credit repair**
- **Referrals to community resources**
- **Building a personal savings earned for you based on increased household earned income**
- **Home ownership preparedness**

The FSS program is a great way for you to start working on your goals and begin your journey towards self-sufficiency. While on FSS, you'll meet with FSS staff to help connect you with community resources and help keep track of your progress.

You also get the chance to earn and build escrow. You can earn escrow by increasing your household earned income. Increasing your earned income may increase your rent portion BUT we save the difference of your rent portion and credit your escrow account monthly for the time you maintain that increased earned income. This can add up over the course of five years and earns interest! When you complete your goals and program requirements, you can receive all of your escrow savings!

Did you know that in 2023, over \$65,000 have been disbursed to all FSS graduates? That's an average of over \$6,800.00 per graduate!

If you or another adult member of your household is interested in learning more about the FSS program, fill out your information below and email this interest form to: Arianne.Scuteri@tcaction.org or deliver to any TCA Housing staff member.

Yes, I am Interested in FSS!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Email address: _____