WHAT IS FSS?

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA/GED  HIGHER EDUCATION  HOUSING ASSISTANCE WHILE ON THE PROGRAM
JOB TRAINING  JOBS/BETTER JOBS  FINANCIAL COACHING AND CREDIT COUNSELING
COUNSELING  SUPPORT GROUPS  ESCROW/SAVINGS ACCOUNT  HOME OWNERSHIP

What is the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program?
The FSS Program helps families with Housing Choice Vouchers take the necessary steps to find and maintain stable employment and establish savings accounts that will lead to self-sufficiency. It is an opportunity to invest in your future—whether you want to finish school, find a better job, or secure the childcare and transportation you need to stay employed.

What are the requirements?
If you choose to participate, it is a voluntary program. You will sign a five-year contract and develop a personal plan for becoming self-sufficient. After signing the contract, it is up to you to work toward your goals, with the support of your FSS Specialist and FSS Coordinator.

Are you eligible for FSS?
If you currently have a Housing Choice Voucher from the BVCOG HCVP, are able to work, and want to become self-sufficient, you may be eligible.

What is an escrow account?
The BVCOG Housing Choice Voucher Program establishes an interest-bearing escrow (savings) account for each FSS participant. As you work toward your goals and your earned income increases, BVCOG HCVP make contributions to your account. Your family’s annual income, earned income, and rent when you begin the program will be used to determine the amount credited to your FSS escrow account because of increases in earned income. If you complete your FSS goals and contract, you will receive a check equal to the amount in your FSS account. FSS participants use their savings for many things, including buying cars, paying for school tuition, and home ownership.

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