

FSS QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME TO THE FSS SQUAD!

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Happy New Year!

As we embark upon a new year, we are reminded of all of the things we have to be thankful to be thankful for. May this new year bring new opportunities and a renewed energy to pursue your goals. -The FSS Team

✨ FSS Super Achievers ✨

Taihisia W.- Passed real estate exam.
Andrea B.-Successfully completed nursing program prerequisites.
Virginia A.-started new job with pay increase.
Alexandria Z.-started new job with pay increase.
Kimora W.- Passed DCF exam and is now employed as a pre-school teacher.



**TOTAL FSS PARTICIPANT
ESCROW AMOUNT:
\$485,972.22**

HUD Final Rule UPDATE

The Broward County Housing Authority's FSS program Action Plan was approved in September of 2022. Following that approval, the FSS program has been able to resume enrolling new participants. All FSS participants are still able to sign over to the new Contract of Participant if they would like to.

Note: In the newly approved Action Plan, participants that miss FOUR scheduled reviews consecutively after written notification of non-compliance may be terminated from the FSS program. Termination from the FSS program does not impact your Housing Choice Voucher status.

FREE Tax Prep Assistance

Tax time is upon us! Broward Tax Pro Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) sites offer free tax help to people who need assistance in preparing their own tax returns, including:

- People who generally make \$60,000 or less
- Persons with disabilities; and
- Limited English-speaking taxpayers



To find out where you can have your taxes done for free you can do the following:

- Call the VITA Hotline- 954-964-8884 ext. 2
- Calling 2-1-1

Kids Corner..

Sign Up Now for Winter Camp!
for children ages 6 - 17 years
old.

Enjoy free lunch, field trips, art,
sports, holiday celebration, and
more!

December 27 - 30 and January 3 - 6
9 am - 5 pm

Contact: (954) 357- 8700



If determined eligible and suitable for the CSBG Self-Sufficiency Case Management Program, benefits include ...

- Individualized Case Management
- Assistance with tuition, books, tools, board exam fees, etc.
- Employment Coaching
- Temporary Childcare
- Access to other services that help remove barriers to self-sufficiency

If you are ...

- A **Broward County resident** with a household income within **200 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines**
- Currently enrolled or planning to enroll in an **education/training program** or
- Able to provide **proof of current or pending employment**
- **Highly motivated** to achieve your goals

The next step is to ...

Attend the CSBG Zoom Orientation- held on the first Friday of every month at 9:30 am

(Dates are subject to change during holidays)

Orientation pre-registration is required. Please pre-register by clicking the link below or by scanning the QR code:

<https://broward-org.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJIIf-6hqTopGsV22iKuFgScFfceL-rhpR8>



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Family Success Administration Division

Community Action Agency



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www.broward.org/familysuccess

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Holiday Recap

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Margarita (Maggie) Zalamea
Virginia Vich

These agencies/individuals donated or helped provide gifts for some of our FSS Families for the Holidays. With these DONATIONS, we were able to provide gifts to over 17 families in need and provide COUNTLESS SMILES!



"We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give." -Winston Churchill

**Need Help Paying For School?
VISIT GETCASH4SCHOOL.COM**

**If you're a Broward County resident, you may be eligible
to receive
a scholarship of up to \$12,000 for in-demand career
training.**



- The scholarship can cover the cost of your tuition, books and supplies
- You'll have a dedicated success coach to guide you along the way
- Direct access to businesses hiring interns to gain experience while you're obtaining your education
- Access to computers, phones and other resources to easily connect with employers after you graduate