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# WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

# Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Enrollment Application

Reno Housing Authority's Workforce Development (WFD) facilitates HUD's Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) program. FSS is a 5-year program that provides a pathway to financial independence, career readiness and homeownership among Housing Choice Voucher and Public Housing residents.

WFD's mission is to strengthen family foundations, build generational wealth, and teach fundamental skills to promote independence.

#### Key Program Components:

Individual Training and Services Plan (ITSP): As an FSS participant, you'll have the support of a WFD Coordinator to establish a goal plan (also known as an ITSP) that will help map out your journey to success while in the 5-year program. Your goal plan will include two goals, required by HUD, to meet at the time of graduation:

- Seek and maintain suitable employment
- Family is free of cash welfare assistance (TANF)

Quarterly Appointments & Annual Assessments: As an FSS participant, you'll touch base with your WFD Coordinator every 3-months and once during an Annual Assessment to discuss various updates including goal progress, obstacles, your escrow balance, your rent credit opportunities, and any changes to your ITSP.

**Escrow Account**: As an FSS participant, you'll also establish a savings! Here's how it works: As your earned income increases from further education and new employment, your rent will increase, and RHA will match that increase each month in an escrow account for you! There is no limit to the amount you can escrow!! Once you complete your goals, you can cash out and use that money to reach even bigger goals - like buying a home!





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Program Incentives: Workforce Development loves to celebrate your progress. If you stay on track with your goals, you'll qualify for rent or escrow credits - to further encourage your success! As a participant, you'll also unlock access to WFD's Hardship Committee, that considers financial assistance to remove unexpected obstacles. We're here to support you!

Your path to success can start NOW! Fill out the attached application and return to workforcedevelopment@renoha.org.





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# 1. Applicant Information

Name:	Date:		
Are you Head of Household? □Yes □ No			
If not, Name of Head of Household:			
Address:	City: Zip Code:		
Phone Number:	Email Address:		
Do you have a computer or laptop at home? □Yes □ No			
Do you have internet access at home? □Yes □	] No		
Please select which Reno Housing Authority program you are a part of:			
☐ Housing Choice Voucher (previously known as Section 8)			
□ Public Housing			
□ Not Sure			
What language do you speak at home:			
What is your current credit score (put N/A if yo	ou don't know):		





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2. Education, Training, and Emp	ployment	
What's your highest level of educ	cation?	
Do you have your high school dip	ploma or GED? □ Yes □ No	
Do you have any additional educ	cation or training? □ Yes □ No	
Additional Education/	Training/Certifications	Completion Date
7 (dalitorial Education)	Training/ Certifications	(n/a if not completed)
Current employment status of He	ead of Household?	
☐ Full-time (32+hours or more p		
☐ Part-time		
□ Not employed		
If currently employed:		
Date current employment began	n: Employer:	
Employer address:		
What benefits do you currently h	ave through your employer:	
☐ Health	□ Other:	
☐ Retirement account		

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If WFD applicant is different from Head of Household on your housing lease, what's the
WFD applicant's employment status?
☐ Full-time (32+hours or more per week)
□ Part-time
□ Not employed
If currently employed:
Date current employment began: Employer:
Employer address:
□ Health
☐ Retirement account
□ Other:
Are any others in your household currently employed (other than Head of Household)?
□No
□Yes
If yes, please provide the information below:
Name of employed household member:
☐ Full-time (32+hours or more per week)
□ Part-time
Date current employment began: Employer:
Employer address:
Current earned income:





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#### 3. Current Assistance

J	Please select all the following assistance currently received by your household:		
☐ TANF Income Assistance			
☐ General Assistance			
☐ Food Stamps			
☐ Medicaid/Children's Health Insurance Pro	gram		
☐ Earned Income Tax Credit			
☐ Childcare Subsidy/Assistance			
Number of children receiving childcare servi	ces:		
4. Needed Support Please check the areas of support you're interested in receiving:			
☐ Education/training (Please specify below)			
☐ Education/training (Please specify below)  o GED			
o GED			
o GED o High School			
<ul><li>o GED</li><li>o High School</li><li>o Post-Secondary</li></ul>	□ Homeownership		
<ul><li>o GED</li><li>o High School</li><li>o Post-Secondary</li><li>o Vocational/Job Training</li></ul>			
<ul> <li>o GED</li> <li>o High School</li> <li>o Post-Secondary</li> <li>o Vocational/Job Training</li> <li>□ Job retention</li> </ul>	□ Homeownership		
o GED o High School o Post-Secondary o Vocational/Job Training □ Job retention □ Transportation and/or driver's license	<ul><li>☐ Homeownership</li><li>☐ Individual Development Account</li></ul>		
o GED o High School o Post-Secondary o Vocational/Job Training □ Job retention □ Transportation and/or driver's license □ Health services	<ul><li>☐ Homeownership</li><li>☐ Individual Development Account</li><li>(IDA)</li></ul>		
o GED o High School o Post-Secondary o Vocational/Job Training □ Job retention □ Transportation and/or driver's license □ Health services □ Alcohol and/or other drug abuse	<ul> <li>□ Homeownership</li> <li>□ Individual Development Account</li> <li>(IDA)</li> <li>□ Childcare</li> </ul>		

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☐ Physical health/medical needs	☐ Phone, computer, or internet
☐ Professional attire	resources
☐ Basic needs (hygiene products, food,	☐ Financial wellness skills (budgeting,
clothing)	credit, debt)
5. Open Response Questions: Please respond to each of the following questions: If you could have any dream career in the world	
Do you have any experience in your dream ca	reer?
What would you need to make your dream a r	eality?
What is important to you in life?	





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What are your strengths?
What areas of your life could use improvement?
What obstacles are keeping you from your goals?
Why do you want to join the Workforce Development Program?





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I certify the answers given herein are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand false or misleading information given in the program may result in the termination of my Traditional FSS Contract of Participation.		
By checking this box and printing your full name below, you at RHA's Workforce Development Program.	re agreeing to the terms of	
WFD Applicant Full Name/Signature	Date	
WFD Coordinator Full Name/Signature	Date	





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# Workforce Development Program FSS Head of Household Designation Form

All adult members of the household (18+ years old) must review and sign this form.

By signing below, you acknowledge the following:

The designated workforce development head of household is:

- The head of household (HOH) for the workforce development program (WFD) is designated through this form and is not required to be the designated head of household for the housing choice voucher (HCV) or public housing (PH) program.
- 2. The head of household for the workforce development program will be the household member entitled to any escrow money disbursed at the successful completion of the contract. The HOH for the housing choice voucher or public housing program is not entitled to any amount of the escrow money.

	Client #:
HCV/PH HOH Signature:	Date:
WFD HOH Signature:	Date:
Other Adult Signature:	Date:
Other Adult Signature:	Date:
Other Adult Signature:	Date:

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# WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM Release of Information

I,, give my pern	mission for my Workforce
Development Coordinator to communicate (verbally o	r written) with any supportive
services agency, as it relates to my self-sufficiency while	e in the Workforce
Development Program. This release will remain effective	ve until my participation in
Traditional FSS has come to an end, or when I request	the termination of this release
in writing to my Workforce Development Coordinator.	
By checking this box and printing your full name below, Workforce Development's Release of Information.	, you are agreeing to the terms of
FSS Applicant Full Name	Date
WFD Coordinator Signature	 Date





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#### Youth Photo & Video Release

Child Name:	Birth date:	Age:
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Child Name:	Birth date:	Age:
Child Name:	Birth date:	Age:
I, THE UNDERSIGNED PARENT OR GUARDIAN, of Authority of the City of Reno from any and all liab taken of me, my son(s), or my daughter(s) and/or Housing Authority of the City of Reno or its partner	ilities and/or infringements by ha appropriately used by the photo	aving a photograph
I also grant the Housing Authority permission to p RHA calendar and/or any other RHA publications partner agencies may also publish this/these image Privacy Act with respect to the foregoing. The pho- manner and may be altered to fit a particular use.	, post it online and/or in RHA soc ge(s). This will waive any rights af oto or video may be utilized in ar	cial media. I understand fforded under the
I waive the right to inspect or approve any finishe appears. I understand I will not receive monetary this authorization is indefinite and ongoing, and t Housing Authority of the City of Reno.	compensation for the use of his/	her/their likeness, that
By checking this box and printing your full na Photo & Video Release.	ame below, you are agreeing to t	the terms of RHA's Youth
Parent/Guardian Name		
Parent/Guardian Signature	_ 	Date

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# Nixle Notifications

The Reno Housing Authority's Resident Services department uses Nixle to contact residents through email and text message. Nixle will allow staff to send newsletters, updates, and event flyers to you via email and/or text.

Please provide the phone number and/or email address you would like to use for the above notifications:

•	Cell Phone Number (including area code):		
•	Email Address:		
-	signing your full name below, you are agreeing to thousing Authority's Nixle notifications.	e terms of the Reno	
RH	IA Resident Full Name (Printed)		
— R⊦		 Date	

