



Family Success Center



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FSC Orientation

FSC requires all heads of household to attend an Orientation prior to applying for financial assistance and / or services. Orientations are presented in both English and Spanish and provide an overview of all programs, both financial and service based, to families across the North Shore. To register for the next session either call 339-883-2342 or register online through this link: <https://goo.gl/forms/hd65BRKlsj9GhWOa2>

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Resources

The Family Success Center in partnership with North Shore Housing Action Group (NSHAG) agencies serve communities from Lynn to Cape Ann. The network of providers works together to connect clients to a variety of services to help them either obtain housing and / or remain stably housed.

The Lynn Continuum of Care has formed 3 sub committees to help address the needs of special populations:

- 1.) Veterans – Through guidance provided by the SSVF Program Office have established a By Name Registry, Achieved Functional Zero Benchmarks for the City of Lynn
- 2.) Youth – Providers work collaboratively with the Lynn Public Schools
- 3.) Elders – Newly formed, creating a By Name Registry and planning a Community Meeting to further define community goals

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How Can We Help You?

Rental Assistance for Families in Transition

Rental Assistance for Families in Transition (RAFT): Eligible applicants must be a family composed of 2 or more people living together, one of whom is a dependent under the age of 21. The program targets households with income 30% - 50% of Area Median Income (AMI). The applicant must present with a severe housing crisis. A maximum of \$4,000 is available per household.

Emergency Solutions Grant

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG): Temporary financial assistance for individuals and families. For the Rapid Rehousing component of this grant, eligible participants must LITERALLY be homeless.

For Homelessness Prevention, must be at imminent risk of homelessness and fall below 30% of AMI.

HomeBASE Household Assistance

HomeBASE Household Assistance (HB HA): This assistance currently focuses on families exiting shelters. It follows guidelines for Emergency Assistance (EA) eligibility. The HomeBASE requirement for Household assistance is 115% of FPL (federal poverty guidelines) for those who are entering through the front door. Up to \$8,000 is available per household.

North Shore Housing Action Group (NSHAG) Financial Assistance

Youth Flexible Funding: Flexible funding intended to help youth heads of households age 24 and under to ensure they are stably housed and moving forward into adulthood productively. Some of the uses thus far include: First and last month's rent and deposits, education related expenses, transportation for school or work, child care, moving costs, and utility arrears.

Individual / Family Flexible Funding: Flexible funding to ensure households remain stability housed. Funding uses are similar to those offered to youth with the exception of the education incentive.

Supportive Services for Veteran Families

Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF): Short-term intensive case management with possibility of temporary financial assistance for eligible veteran families. Eligibility includes veteran with a minimum 1 day active duty, household income under 50% AMI, and facing an immediate housing crisis. Program aims to improve housing stability of very low-income veteran families. Program will assist participants to obtain VA and other public benefits, eligible veterans needing legal aid are referred to Northeast Legal Aid for possible assistance.

Financial Stability Center

The Family Success Center helps families attain financial stability by providing three key services in one central location:

1. **Financial Coaching** – Empowering families to have a better understanding of their finances through both *one-on-one financial coaching* and *group workshop* series
2. **Income Supports** – Help navigating and applying for public benefits as needed
3. **Employment Services** – Assistance with updating a resume, training, applications and other steps to gaining employment

Referrals for Services

Referrals are made through partnering agencies which link clients to related services such as job training programs, mental health services, family support programs, legal aid and benefits maximization.

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