

What do you dream about?

“I want a place that my family and I can call our own.”

- FreshStart participant

“First, I want to get my high school diploma, then I want to go to college.”

- FreshStart participant

“I imagine my kids having opportunities that I never had. It may sound simple but I don't want them to think the American dream is just that...a dream.”

- FreshStart participant



“I just need a chance.”

- FreshStart applicant

“I want to get a job. I want to get up every morning, put on nice clothes, and go to a place where I put in an honest day's work for an honest day's pay. Sounds simple but sometimes it isn't.”

- FreshStart participant

FreshStart Program Partners

A wide range of both government and privately-owned agencies enjoy partnerships with FreshStart and HOPE VI.



Our partners provide the services and programs you need while you work toward self-sufficiency. Services may include transportation, on-the-job training, or day care, among others.

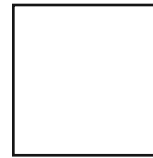
For a complete list of our current Program Partners, visit our website at www.khraredevelopment.org/HOPEVI



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What is FreshStart Foundation?

FreshStart Foundation (FSF) is your opportunity to achieve economic self-sufficiency through employment. We coordinate with other agencies, community programs, and service providers to supply our program participants with the support they need to succeed.

With the help of a case manager, you and



As part of the Kingsport Housing and Redevelopment Authority, our responsibility is to provide Community Supportive Services to residents as they move toward the goal of self-sufficiency. Self-sufficiency is not easy. It takes effort and dedication. We want to partner with you as you work toward your dream.

How do I become Self-Sufficient?

your family establish both long-term and short-term goals. Then you enter into a five-year contract with the FSF program. FreshStart is an employment/education program, so you will be expected to either be employed or going to school full-time during your contract with us.

Your case manager works with you along the way to find the best possible route to reach your goals, including determining which services are needed to help you succeed. Because each person and each family is unique, the services provided and arranged for you are unique to your needs and situation. Some families may need childcare, while other families need transportation, and still others may need both services. Whatever the combination of needs, we have numerous programs available to participants.

Once you become a FreshStart participant we will establish an escrow account in your name with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Based on your income and rent, the account will grow as you continue to work toward self-sufficiency. If you successfully complete your goal, which includes being free from welfare for a year, the money is yours. You can use it as a down payment on a home, to buy a car, or to continue your education. What you do with the money will be up to you.

What do I do next?

If you are interested in coming to one of our orientations, please fill out the attached form and return it to FreshStart. If you would like to call us, we can collect the needed information over the phone.

After we receive your interest form, staff will contact you to schedule your orientation time. At the orientation, you will learn more about the program so you can make an informed decision about joining the program. We ask that you carefully consider your involvement. It's a long road to self-sufficiency and it won't always be easy, but you will have the support of the FreshStart family. Working together with FSF, you can succeed and achieve economic self-sufficiency.

Contact Us:

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Yes! I am interested in becoming self-sufficient.

My goal is:

- Full-time employment
- Full-time student
- Part-time employment and student

Are you currently employed?

- Full-time
- Part-time
- Unemployed

If selected to participate, what support would you need?

(This is not binding, we use it for information purposes only)

- Childcare
- Transportation
- GED
- Job training
- Job search assistance
- Job placement
- Career counseling
- Other

What time of day would be best for you to participate in orientation?

- Daytime *(Before 5 pm)*
- Evening *(After 5 pm)*

Detach and return to FreshStart.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: () _____

Dreams.

They stir our hearts to imagine that the impossible is attainable. They bring visions of better days or fulfilled promises.

The staff of FreshStart is available to dream with you. We want to help you make the changes you want in your life.

Together, we will work to see your dreams become reality.