

**SANTA FE COUNTY
HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2022 - 11 HB**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SANTA FE COUNTY
HOUSING AUTHORITY'S FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY (FSS)
ACTION PLAN**

WHEREAS, under 24 CFR 887 and 24 CFR 984, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") established the Family Self-Sufficiency ("FSS") program for the Section 8 and Public Housing assistance program in accordance with section 23 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 24 CFR 984.101(a)(1), the purpose of the FSS program "is to promote the development of local strategies to coordinate the use of [HUD] assistance with public and private resources, to enable families eligible to receive HUD assistance to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency;" and

WHEREAS, 24 CFR 984.201 requires public housing authorities ("PHAs") to establish and implement an Action Plan for the FSS program, which is in compliance with federal requirements regarding FSS program administration as prescribed in 24 CFR 984.201(d); and

WHEREAS, 24 CFR 984.201(c)(1) requires PHAs that operate a voluntary FSS program to submit their Action Plan to HUD for approval prior to implementing or administering a FSS program; and

WHEREAS, in 1993 the Santa Fe County Housing Authority ("Housing Authority") established a HUD-approved Action Plan and implemented a FSS program for the Public Housing and Section 8 programs, and has continued to administer a FSS program since that time; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2022, HUD published Final Rule 87 FR 30020, "Streamlining and Implementation of Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act Changes to the Family Self-Sufficiency Program" in the Federal Register; and

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2022, 87 FR 30020 was implemented by HUD as the Final Rule for the FSS program; and

WHEREAS, the Final Rule provided for several FSS program changes, including: changes in the make-up of the Program Coordinating Committee; expanding the definition of Head of the FSS Family; redefining the definition of the Contract Period of Participation; shortening the time period a FSS client is required to be free from welfare assistance in order to graduate from the FSS

program; and increasing the list of eligible expenditures for forfeited escrow account balances, amongst other changes; and

WHEREAS, 87 FR 30020 requires all PHAs who operate a FSS program to update their Action Plan to ensure compliance with the Final Rule; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority has updated its Action Plan to be in compliance with the Final Rule and has submitted the Action Plan to HUD for compliance review; and

WHEREAS, on September 29, 2022, the Housing Authority received an approval letter from HUD certifying the Action Plan's compliance with the Final Rule and all other requirements pursuant to 24 CFR 887 and 24 CFR 984; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority is required to receive Housing Authority Board approval on the Action Plan prior to December 15, 2023, in order to implement the changes associated with the Final Rule.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Santa Fe County Housing Authority Board that the Board approves and adopts the FSS Action Plan attached hereto and Exhibit A, which implements the policies and procedures applicable to the FSS program under the Section 8 and Public Housing assistance programs.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 25 **DAY OF** OCTOBER, 2022.

SANTA FE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD

By: Anna T. Hamilton
Anna T. Hamilton, Chair

ATTEST:

Katharine E. Clark
Katharine E Clark, Santa Fe County Clerk

Date: 11/03/2022

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Roger Prucino for
Jeff Young, Santa Fe County Attorney



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Katharine E. Clark

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