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FSS ACTION PLAN MEETING

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FSS ACTION PLAN

Amendments & Modification as follow:

2022-2023 FSS Action Plan has been updated to include language and policy revisions to regulations or issued PIH notifications and HUD references.

- Clarifications and modifications to make sure the content is up to date, user friendly, and in compliance with all updated HUD regulations and program guidance.

Most of the changes for this update were necessary by the publication of the following updates:

- Expands eligibility for program funding from only public housing and voucher programs to now include multifamily (project base rental assistance) owners as well.
- Expands eligibility for program enrollment from only the Head of House Household to now any adult family member of the household (Head of FSS Family) as designated by the family. Escrow goes to the person who signs Contract of Participation COP (one COP per family)
- Eliminates the 120-day rule. At enrollment the most recent effective rent certification must be used to establish baseline.
- Allows for HCV Homeownership Section 8 Participants to be in the FSS Program
- Clarification of various escrow definitions provided
- Removes cap on increases in monthly escrow savings for families making between 50%-80% of AMI
- Forfeited escrow in no longer returned to the PHA, and will now be used for the benefit of FSS families
- Changes to minimum program size requirements
- Revisions to graduation requirements
- Changes to determination of suitable employment and expansion of “good cause”
- Revisions to portability requirements

Public Hearing Announcement can be found in the Utica Section 8 Website Comments/Concerns