

Mesa Housing Services Governing Board Report

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To: Housing Services Governing Board

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Subject: Housing Services Family Self-Sufficiency Program Grant

Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is for the Mesa Housing Services Governing Board ("Board") to:

1. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept the Family Self-Sufficiency Program ("FSS") annual grant.

<u>1 - Adopt Housing Services Governing Board resolution for Family Self-Sufficiency Program Grant</u>

Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose is for the Mesa Housing Services Governing Board ("Board") to adopt a resolution for the annual Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program grant.

Background

The FSS Program supports the HUD strategic goal of increasing economic opportunity for HUD-assisted families. The FSS grant provides to support the salary of one FSS Program Coordinator who assists participating families receiving housing assistance through the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program. The FSS Program Coordinator develops local strategies to connect participating families to public and private resources to increase their earned

income and financial empowerment, reduce or eliminate the need for welfare assistance, and make progress toward self-sufficiency.

Mesa Housing Services administers the Family Self-Sufficiency Program as an optional program to assist HCV participants work toward self-sufficiency. Housing Services applies for the FSS grant annually to continue funding the FSS Coordinator salary.