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FOCUS AREA: Collaboration

**ORGANIZATIONAL
IMPROVEMENTS:**

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION NO. 22-1518**, a Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Douglas, Cochise County, Arizona, **AUTHORIZING** the **SUBMISSION** of a **GRANT APPLICATION** to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the **HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER FAMILY SELF SUFFICIENCY (FSS)** Program.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The City of Douglas PHA has received funding for implementation of a Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) Program through the U.S. Housing & Urban Development Department (HUD) since 2009.

BACKGROUND:

The program's incentive is to assist Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher families toward eliminating the need for housing and welfare assistance programs. The FSS Coordinator assists families with establishing goals and assisting them in locating local resources to help them reach those goals.

One of the main goals is to help families seek employment. As the household income increases, the FSS Program matches a portion of that increase by depositing into an escrow account for the family. Once the family has reached all prescribed goals, and is deemed fully self-sufficient, the family is considered "graduated" from the program and may withdraw the funds in their escrow account.

DISCUSSION:

The City of Douglas Housing Authority wishes to apply for continued funding of this valuable program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The grant amount is for \$72,000 and does not require matching funds.

Fiscal Year: 2022/2023

Amount Requested: N/A

Budgeted: Y / N

Account (s):

“...I MOVE THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE RESOLUTION 22-1518.”