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## LevelUp: 6 steps to Economic Power

Earn Money to Achieve your Personal, Educational, and Financial Goals

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### Program Overview

CHA's LevelUp Program, (formerly known as the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program), helps participants achieve financial stability while working towards their educational, professional, and personal goals. The program is designed to assist participants on a personalized path toward economic independence and overall well-being.

When participants meet their goals, CHA deposits money in a CHA-managed savings account. Once participants graduate from the program, they receive the full balance of their savings account. In 2023, the average graduation payout for participants was \$6300.

People usually spend 3 to 5 years in the program, but you may stay longer if you need more time to finish your goals.

#### CHA Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Action Plan 2024

### Benefits of the Program

LevelUp offers participants a range of benefits, including:

- **Personalized Goal Setting:** Participants work with LevelUp Coaches to set individual goals and create a plan to achieve them.
- **Financial Coaching and Mentoring:** Coaches provide guidance and mentoring to help participants increase their financial stability and make positive life changes.
- **Building Financial Assets:** While working on their goals, participants can accrue credits in a LevelUp savings account managed by CHA. Upon graduation from the program, participants are eligible to receive a payout of the savings accrued.

## Eligibility for the Program

You must be:

- a CHA resident
- at least 18 years old
- compliant with all aspects of the housing lease

## Additional Resources

- [LevelUp One Pager](#)
- [LevelUp Program Pay Points](#)

## Information Sessions

**Ready to LevelUp? Register for an information session to get started!**

Thank you for visiting the LevelUp (FSS) webpage. We look forward to sharing information about our program with you!

### Virtual Orientation

Tuesdays @ 6:30PM-7:30PM

[Apr 15, 2025 6:30 PM](#) [Apr 22, 2025 6:30 PM](#) [Apr 29, 2025 6:30 PM](#)

### Virtual Orientation

Thursdays @ 12PM-1PM

[Apr 17, 2025 12:00 PM](#) [Apr 24, 2025 12:00 PM](#)

## Similar programs you may be eligible for



### **Choose to Own**

CHA's Choose to Own Homeownership Program (CTO) allows qualifying Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) and Public Housing families to use their housing subsidy to purchase a home.



### **Down Payment Assistance**

The Down Payment Assistance Program (DPA) helps families with upfront costs of buying a home. CHA residents are eligible for a \$20,000 grant.

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## **Partners in Education**

CHA residents can earn a certificate or a degree from City Colleges of Chicago for free or low cost. This is possible through a partnership with CCC called Partners in Education (PiE).