The Department of Family and Community Partnerships (FCP) was formed in 2010 to consolidate the Oakland Housing Authority’s (OHA) existing resident programs with new initiatives and community partnerships that improve self-sufficiency opportunities and outcomes for families in the Public Housing and Section 8 programs.

The FCP Department is the community and social services arm of OHA. We connect the 15,000 OHA families with career and educational opportunities, civic engagement initiatives, and community-building programs. We are here to educate our residents about OHA programs and services, support them with personal goals, empower and advocate for them. FCP programs are designed to build on best practices in the field, serve the whole person and the entire family, and maintain synergy between FCP programs and core OHA functions.

Who We Serve

OHA Residents; Leased Housing, Property Management, OHA Police Department (OHAPD), the City of Oakland, OUSD and Bay Area schools, local businesses/employers, banks, realtors and Community-based organizations

Description of Services

Family Self Sufficiency

• Enable families to decrease their dependence on TANF/CalWORKs by increasing their earned income
• Assist in developing or improving resident job skills
• Empower participants to obtain higher education
• Provide an opportunity for families to learn financial literacy and start a savings account

Homeownership

• Further the expansion of affordable housing in Oakland
• Support wealth accumulation and economic self-sufficiency
• Contribute to the stabilization of Oakland neighborhoods

Employment Development

• Job Development and Training
• Referrals and employment opportunities through partner agencies and employers
• Provide support with obtaining uniforms, transportation, tools, licenses, etc.
• Section 3 – Employment opportunities designated for Public Housing Authority residents

Education Initiatives

• K-12 Education
• Parent Training
• Kindergarten Readiness
• Summer Youth Employment, Summer Camps, Summer Lunch programs
• GED & Continuing Adult Education

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Civic Engagement and Leadership Development

- Provide resident leadership opportunities and training
- Promote community building and problem solving
- Represent OHA residents at Public Housing related conferences and seminars
- Promote the quality of life in OHA communities through service, dialogue, and community partnership

Description of Services

Stats

- Forty (40) OHA residents received employment through Section 3 construction opportunities or service contracts
- One hundred and seventeen (117) OHA residents enrolled into one (1) of the eleven (11) career development/training programs
- Ninety-two (92) OHA residents completed a training or career development program
- Sixty-seven (67) youth participated in the 10 week Summer Education & Employment Programs at Youth Uprising
- Four hundred and thirty (430) OHA youth received school supplies and a backpack
- Sixteen (16) OHA youth attended the Spring Break College Tours
- One hundred and sixty-seven (167) residents enrolled in Family Self Sufficiency program
- Ninety thousand, forty-six dollars ($90,046) in escrow funds was distributed among nine (9) FSS graduates in 2012
- Nine (9) homes purchased by OHA residents
- One hundred and sixteen (116) Thanksgiving baskets were distributed to OHA residents
- Three hundred (300) Christmas baskets were distributed to OHA residents