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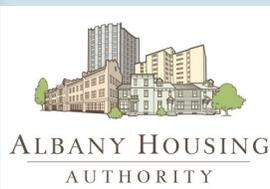
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FSS Spotlight



Mia came to the FSS program at the WAGE Center already working, but with many goals. She was employed in the nursing department at Albany Medical Center, where she still works, nearly five years later in a different department. When she began, she says, "I wanted to accomplish a better strategy to save monies, as well as have a better outlook on money management and paying my bills on time. I also wanted to go back to school and receive my Associate's Degree in Business Management."

Using a two-step process regarding money and education she says, "I was focused on paying

down my debt, I went from a low credit score to a high one. I now have major credit card companies after me - when they would not give me the time of day... (I highly suggest one or two as they can get you into a lot of trouble)." As she was working and es-crowing money through FSS, she explains, "I kept the faith and enrolled in college and in May of 2017, I obtained my Associate's in Business Management. In May of 2020, I will have my Bachelor's Degree in Health Care Business Management."

All of this, she accomplished despite the fact that as she tells it, "...I hate change and I love to have stability in everything that I do on a day-to-day basis." But, by changing the way she dealt with and viewed money management, she has been able to raise her credit score, save money and earn a higher education. All of these are changes that will create a stable lifestyle.

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Amibel's Answers

Question:

Am I eligible to join the program if I'm unemployed?

Answer:

Yes, Albany Housing Authority residents and Housing Choice Voucher holders who are not currently employed are - and are encouraged - to join the program. To join the program, you must be willing to seek full-time employment, since working full-time is one of the graduation requirements.

We have plenty of help available at The WAGE Center for job searching, upgrading employment and assisting with career advancement.

Call today: 518-380-5600





Application Clinics Until May

- ◇ *Need a resume?*
- ◇ *Need help with online applications?*
- ◇ *Need help finding jobs online?*

Staff is available to help on ***Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays*** during the school year. Come for one-to-one help with job searching

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New programs, events, WAGE Center success stories and event pictures are on our Facebook page. See what's new every day and find programs to support your FSS goals. Come visit, share and like our page



2020

Make a New Year's Resolution to Make Positive Financial Changes!



What Do you need to Succeed?

Please call **518-380-5601** to schedule an appointment for help job searching, working on a personal budget or career planning.

Don't have a resume?

We will help you develop one.

Don't have email?

We can help you set up and use an account.

Come talk with our staff about what support you need to earn more and take steps toward a better financial future.

Get Credit Score Advice

Fourth Friday of the Month

Albany Public Library
162 Washington Ave.

**Drop in:
11:30-1:30**

Affordable Housing Partnership

Get Homebuyer Education

Ask at The WAGE Center about a voucher for "Money Strategies" for FSS Participants

Our Partners at Affordable Housing Partnership Can work with you to better your credit score and help with the home buying process.

Ask Amibel in person

Or at: 380-5601