

## Resident Service Department

The Housing Authority of the City of Winder offers a wide variety of programs as described below. (This information also available for download as a [PowerPoint slide deck](#) or [PDF Document](#). Click desired format.)

### ◆Family Self-Sufficiency

The Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program is a program established to promote economic self-sufficiency among Winder Housing Authority families. The Head of Household who volunteers to participate is orientated, evaluated and is offered a Contract of Participation with the Winder Housing Authority. This contract is designed to meet the family's needs for services. It also specifies the goals and objectives which the family must fulfill during the contract term. The goals and objectives are based on mutual agreement. Certain goals are mandatory. FSS offers a financial incentive to families through the establishment of an escrow account which becomes available to the family upon successful completion of the Contract of Participation. If interested please visit the Resident Service Department or call our office at (678) 425-6960 ext. 1007 or [click here](#) for more details.

◆Quarterly Homeownership Educational Workshops The Winder Housing Authority is now a Georgia Dept. of Community Affairs approved Homebuyer Counseling Agency, offering pre and post homebuyer counseling services free of charge. Quarterly workshops are offered to both residents and non-resident of Winder Housing Authority. These workshops will guide you through the steps of becoming a homeowner. Topics include Pros and Cons of Homeownership, Budgeting, Understanding Credit, Qualifying for GA Dream/Down Payment Assistance, Pre-approval Process, Inspections, Insurance and more. Participants must attend entire workshop to earn their Homeownership Educational Certificate. Interested participants should call the Resident Service Department at (678) 425-6960 ext. 1007 or email [dpeters@winderhousing.com](mailto:dpeters@winderhousing.com). For more information [click here](#).

### ◆Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University

This life changing nine week course is taught by Dave Ramsey and coordinated by Denise Peters at the Wimberly Center. This series of classes will teach you how to get rid of debt, manage your money, spend and save wisely and much more. Cost for material is \$49.00 per family (financial scholarships available). Course offered every quarter. To register for upcoming class please call the Resident Service Department at (678) 425-6960 ext. 1007 or email [dpeters@winderhousing.com](mailto:dpeters@winderhousing.com). For more information click here.

### ◆Workforce Wednesday

Held every third Wednesday from 9:00am until 12:00 pm at the Wimberly Center. The mobile career resource unit is a 13 station state of the art fully accessible computer lab. The unit provides assistance with job readiness and job search activities, as well as provides information on Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA) funded training opportunities. For questions or to register to visit the unit, please call the Resident Service Department at (678) 425-6960 ext. 1007 or email [dpeters@winderhousing.com](mailto:dpeters@winderhousing.com). For more information [click here](#).

### ◆GED Classes

GED Classes offered thru Lanier Technical College every month. Classes consist of individualized test preparation on the five main topic areas:

1. Math

2. Reading
3. Writing
4. Social Studies
5. Science

#### ◆Office Skills Apprenticeship

WHA offers a twelve month Office Skills Apprenticeship Program that assists residents in gaining work experience in an actual office and learning environment. It's a combination of on-the-job and classroom training. It allows participants to learn basic office, communication and computer skills in order to obtain and maintain employment in an office environment.

#### ◆Community Garden

A Community Garden located at two locations that produces vine ripened tomatoes, garden sweet corn, tender collard greens, and much, much more.

#### ◆Vocational Rehabilitation

This program was designed to seek and restore disabled individuals to their optimal physical, mental, social, vocational and economic ability. Some of the services include, job preparation, resume development, individual counseling, medical management, transportation and other readiness assistance.

#### ◆Community Library

Yes, WHA has its very own community library. Whether you like reading fiction or non-fiction, horror or romance, you're sure to find something that sparks your interest here at the WHA Community Library located at the Ft. Yargo Complex.

#### ◆Security Monitoring

Cameras are located at all eight (8) complexes and are monitored by the Winder Police Department.

#### ◆Onsite Boys & Girls Club

The Boys and Girls Club of Winder-Barrow has several programs that strive to help youth with academic success, healthy lifestyles and character and leadership development. There are currently sixty-two (62) WHA students enrolled in the program. GREAT FUTURES START HERE!

#### ◆ Cub Scouts

Cub Scouts provides a positive place where boys can enjoy safe, wholesome activities. Cub Scouts focuses on building character, improving physical fitness, teaching practical skills and developing a spirit of community service. Scouting is a movement dedicated to bringing out the best in boys. WHA offers Cub Scouts to all boys in 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grades. If interested please contact the Resident Service Department at (678) 425-6960 ext. 1007. For more information, please click [here](#).

#### ◆Section 3

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#### ◆ Coming Soon

Mobile Clinic

Health & Wellness Workshops

Healthy Cooking