

Home Start's Financial Opportunity Center (FOC) is located in the Jacobs Center in Southeastern San Diego. We offer bundled free services including employment assistance, financial assistance and access to income supports to help members achieve self-sufficiency.

Working from a strength-based perspective, our team helps members develop and create a positive vision for their future. By establishing a long-term relationship, providing resources and collaborating with other agencies, we empower members with the skills and knowledge to accomplish their goals.



"My Case Manager kept me informed of job leads by email. I even forwarded these leads to other people whom I knew were looking for work."

Yvonne P.

"The financial literacy team at Home Start helped me improve my credit score, and I was able to get an apartment and a new car."

Heather S.

"Thank you for all your advice and help with my financial situation. You are truly an asset to the community."

Teresa P.

"I was unable to open a checking account, but with the resources they have, I now have one."

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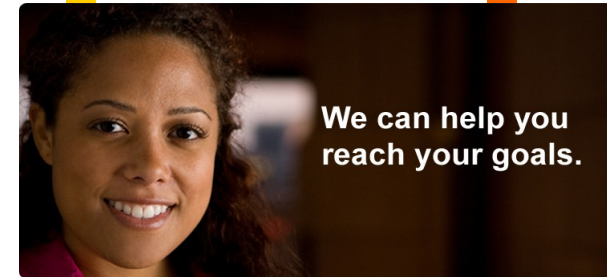
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Employment Assistance

FOC assists members with the following employment-related activities:

- Career & skills assessment
- Job readiness assistance
- Resume, cover letter and thank you letter writing
- Interview preparation
- Job search preparation
- Filling out employment applications
- Goal setting
- Job retention/promotion techniques
- Employment workshops
- Additional employment services

Financial Coaching

FOC provides one-on-one financial coaching that addresses the specific needs of each individual:

- Income and Budgeting: Assist with budget and provide resources to increase income
- Financial Institutions: Assist with banking services such as second chance accounts
- Credit Review: Assist with pulling and reviewing credit report and score
- Credit Improvement: Assist with credit repair
- Taxes: On site tax preparation of basic tax returns
- Savings: Focus on retirement, investment and emergency savings
- Asset Accumulation: Focus on improving financial capability and asset building behavior
- Education Planning

Access to Income Support

FOC provides assistance with electronic enrollment to programs such as:

- Food Stamps: Supplemental Food income for individuals and families
- Medi-Cal: Medical Insurance for individuals over 65, under 21 and low-income families
- WIC: Food vouchers for pregnant women and children up to 5 yrs. old
- Healthy Families: Health Insurance for children under 19
- Child Health and Disability Program: Free yearly physicals for children
- CARE: Monthly 20% SDG&E discount
- Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program: Minor home repairs and/or monetary credit to your SDG&E bill.
- California Low Cost Auto Insurance

