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**Field Operations Memo 2009-17**  
**March 18, 2009**

**To:**  **Transitional Assistance Office Staff**

**From:** **John Augeri, Assistant Commissioner for Field Operations**

**Re:** **TAFDC – Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) Program Expansion to the Greenfield Housing Authority**

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**Background**

In partnership with Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and the Regional Non-profits (RNPs), DTA continues to market the Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) program.

Field Operations Memo 2008-30 A provided TAO staff information related to the expansion of the existing DTA/FSS initiative to the Brockton Housing Authority while continuing in the Somerville and Framingham Public Housing Authorities. The goal of this expansion was to give nonexempt clients who are public housing residents or whose Section 8 housing is administered by the public housing agency and who are not participating in a work program activity, an additional resource to meet the work program requirement and become self-sufficient.

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**Purpose of Memo**

This Field Operations Memo adds the Greenfield Housing Authority to the list of Housing Authorities offering the FSS Program to its tenants. This portion of the DTA/FSS initiative begins March 18, 2009 in Greenfield. The existing DTA/FSS initiative continues in the Brockton, Somerville and Framingham Public Housing Authorities. TAO staff should continue to follow procedures in Field Operations Memo 2008-30 A when referring clients to the FSS program. A list of the clients who have been asked to participate will be e-mailed to the Greenfield TAO and Centralized TAFDC TAO.

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**PHA Contact List** The following name will be added to the listing of PHA FSS Contacts:

<b>PHA FSS Worker</b>	<b>PHA Region</b>	<b>Phone Number</b>
Barbara Kuhns	Greenfield	413-774-2932, option 1 then option 5

With the issuance of this memo, the RNP and PHA Contact list will be updated in DTA Online. To access the Contact list in DTA Online, click on the “Resource Inventories” button on the left-hand side of DTA Online. Click on “FSS Contact Lists.”

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**Questions**

If you have any policy or procedural questions, please have your Hotline designee call the Policy Hotline.

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