



FINANCIAL & LIFE SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

WHAT - is "Getting Ahead"?

Getting Ahead in a Just Gettin' By World ("Getting Ahead") is a facilitated program to help individuals build their own personal plan to get out of poverty and create sustainability. Each participant is provided with the opportunity to:

- Take charge of their lives
- Complete a self-assessment of their own resources (including financial, emotional, social) and make plans to build them
- Develop a series of mental models to examine their own lives and create new future stories
- Help stabilize their lives
- Investigate the impact that poverty has had on themselves and their community broken into 10 modules
- Use this information to build resources for a better life and community

WHO – would be good candidate to be referred for Getting Ahead?

- Person is in case management, mentorship, relationship with an organization
- Has some stable income
- Housed (can be couch surfing)
- Sober at least 90 days
- Not on active parole
- 200% FPL, or below (Ex: parent with 1 child in household cannot make over \$32,920 annually)
- A desire to make a change

HOW – does Getting Ahead work?

- 4 month commitment, weekly class on Tuesday night, 6:00 -8:00 pm
- Ability to meet with a coach once a month for the 4 months. Families with children will be eligible for an additional 4 months participation through Family HOPE.
- Childcare provided
- \$15 in gift cards for each hour of class time/ \$30 per night
- Monthly stipend to be applied to a bill of their choice
 - 1st month \$100
 - 2nd month \$200
 - 3rd month \$200
 - 4th month \$300

WHEN – is MSM offering Getting Ahead classes (*graduation* will be held on the last Tuesday of each 4 month class)?

- July 3 – October 30, 2018
- August 7 - November 27, 2018
- October 2, 2018 - January 29, 2019
- November 6 - February 26, 2019
- January 8 - April 30, 2019
- February 5 - May 28, 2019
- April 2 - July 30, 2019
- May 7 - August 27, 2019