

Community Spotlight June 2018 – Monica Gallardo



Public Housing Resident Perseveres on the Road to Homeownership with SHRA's Family Self-Sufficiency Program

It took nine years but persistence and patience paid off for Monica Galardo and her family who dreamed of having their own place to call home. After living with in-laws and adjusting to a growing family, they applied for the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment's (SHRA) Public Housing program. "When we got the call we were excited because we would finally be able to get our own place and begin to stand on our own." Soon afterward Monica enrolled in the FSS program and that's when she learned about the opportunity to become a homeowner.

"We set goals to improve our credit and also to complete our education. My husband enrolled and graduated from Universal Technical Institute and I'm continuing to work on earning my degree." They also made home ownership a priority and have finally reached that goal. "This program has been a positive experience for us and it feels great to be self-sufficient and making our own way for ourselves. Slowly but surely we've gotten through it and we couldn't be happier."