

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER  
DES MOINES, IOWA**

**CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION 96-302  
JULY 22, 1996 AGENDA**

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	SUBMITTED BY:
ENTERPRISE COMMUNITY SSBG ENTITLEMENT FUNDS	◆ RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE	JIM GRANT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

**SYNOPSIS —**

On the July 22, 1996, agenda there are three roll calls awarding Enterprise Community Social Service Block Grant (SSBG) entitlement funds to:

- Polk County for the Polk County Child Care Resource and Referral Network (\$40,000);
- Home Opportunities Made Easy, Incorporated (H.O.M.E., Inc.)(\$22,500); and
- The Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC) (\$4,000).

**FISCAL IMPACT —**

Enterprise Community SSBG entitlement funds in the amount of \$66,500 will be utilized.

**RECOMMENDATION —**

**Award and authorize contract negotiations with Polk County, H.O.M.E., Inc., and DMACC for SSBG funding consistent with the Enterprise Community Strategic Plan.**

**BACKGROUND —**

On November 20, 1995, by Roll Call No. 95-4424, the City Council approved a Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Des Moines, the State of Iowa, and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development which incorporates the Enterprise Community Strategic Plan and the benchmarks which measure the progress of major projects contained in the Enterprise Community Strategic Plan.

The Enterprise Community Steering Committee has released four project applications for Enterprise Community projects. The following is a list of the Project Applications (RFPs) that have been released:

Recovery Village Project  
Child Care Specialist Project  
Educational Stipends Project  
Building Skills Trades Project

The applications received for these projects have been reviewed by the appropriate Environment Work Group. The review process included both a review of the project application and interviews with the project applicants.

The Enterprise Community Steering Committee, at its July 11, 1996, meeting, reviewed the applications and the accompanying recommendations for each project. The Enterprise Community Steering

Committee (ECSC) recommended three applications for approval for contract negotiation. The Enterprise Community Steering Committee recommends:

The Polk County Child Care Resource and Referral Network(\$40,000) for:  
Training to Enterprise Community Child Care Providers  
Funding for Training and Technical Assistance for Accreditation  
Neighborhood Provider Program Enhancement  
Monetary Incentives for Child Care Providers with proper Child Development  
Credential (CDA)  
Development/Administration of \$360,000 in subsidy funds

The Home Opportunities Made Easy, Incorporated (\$22,500) for:  
Recruitment , Training, and Job Placement for Enterprise Community residents  
in the Building Trades

The Des Moines Area Community College (\$4,000) for:  
Cultural Diversity Training for Enterprise Community Provider Agencies Staff

The Enterprise Community Steering Committee does not recommend that the Philanthropy Group (TPG) application for the Recovery Village Project be approved because the proposal exceeds current available funding. The Enterprise Community Steering Committee will review and revise the public notice and release it at a later date.

Upon review of all of the project applications Community Development Department staff concurs with the Enterprise Community Steering Committee recommendations.