



**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM _____

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

99-093

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA:

MARCH 15, 1999

SUBJECT:

JUVENILE
ACCOUNTABILITY
INCENTIVE BLOCK
GRANT

Federal grant funds of \$71,804 are available to the City for certain juvenile justice programs. The Police Department has been working with the Polk County Juvenile Central Intake Center to improve the exchange of juvenile offender information between law enforcement and juvenile justice agencies. The funds designated for Des Moines can be redirected to another eligible agency. It is recommended that the Des Moines allocation of \$71,804 be redirected to the Polk County Juvenile Intake Center so that they may submit a grant application, in cooperation with the Police Department, to improve interagency information sharing.

TYPE:

FISCAL IMPACT -

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

The \$71,804 allocation to the City would be made available to the Polk County Juvenile Central Intake Center.

SUBMITTED BY:

RECOMMENDATION -

WILLIAM
MOULDER
CHIEF OF POLICE

Approval.

BACKGROUND -

Federal legislation has established a Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant program. In Iowa, the program is administered by the State Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning and Statistical Analysis Center. A portion of these funds is available to certain units of local government. The funds are for programs to reduce juvenile delinquency, improve the juvenile justice system, and increase accountability for juvenile offenders. The City is eligible for a grant of \$71,804.

The Police Department has been working with the Polk County

Juvenile Central Intake Center and other juvenile justice agencies to, among other things, improve and enhance the exchange of information on juvenile offenders between law enforcement and juvenile justice agencies. This would include our general patrol and investigative operations as well as the School Resource Officer and Youth at Risk programs.

The funds for which the City is eligible can be redirected to another eligible agency. Because of our work with the Polk County Juvenile Central Intake Center, we are recommending the Des Moines amount be provided to them to support efforts that have been discussed. The Police Department will participate in the development of the proposal, but the Polk County Juvenile Central Intake Center will be the agency responsible for the grant application.