



**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

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

00-175

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA:

APRIL 24, 2000

Approval to submit a grant application to the Polk Fun! Scholarship Program to support scholarships for youth attending the Evelyn K. Davis Summer Playground and Summer Day Camps at Four-Mile, Brooks, and Southeast Community Centers.

SUBJECT:

POLK FUN!! POLK COUNTY COLLABORATIVE SUMMER PROGRAMMING 2000 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

FISCAL IMPACT -

N/A

RECOMMENDATION -

Approval.

TYPE:

BACKGROUND -

RESOLUTION

ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

Approximately 130 youth attending the Summer Day Camp Programs at Four-Mile, Brooks, and Southeast Community Centers and another 150 youth attending the Evelyn K. Davis Summer Playground program are in need of financial assistance toward the fees for the programs. Program fees include a City Pool Pass at \$11 per child.

SUBMITTED BY:

DONALD M. TRIPP,
PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR

Previously, Community Development Block Grant funds funded the pool passes. This funding source has ended. Therefore, the Department is seeking funds from a new funding source, Polk Fun!

The Polk Fun! Scholarship program is designed specifically to support scholarship funds for low-income youth so they may attend organized summer recreation programs offered by agencies in Polk County. The funding program rewards collaborative efforts. Both the Evelyn K. Davis Summer

Playground program and the Summer Day Camps, in partnership with Camp Fire Boys and Girls, exemplify collaborative efforts among the City of Des Moines' Park and Recreation Department and other agencies and civic organizations in Polk County.

The grant application is due May 1, 2000, for funding this summer. We will accept funds as late as July 1, 2000.