

**CITY COUNCIL  
COMMUNICATION:**

**ITEM \_\_\_\_\_**

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

**00-191**

**SYNOPSIS -**

**AGENDA:**

MAY 1, 2000

Requesting approval for submission of a grant application to U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development for a resident services delivery grant.

**SUBJECT:**

RESIDENT SERVICE  
DELIVERY GRANT  
APPLICATION

**FISCAL IMPACT -**

Grant application is for \$149,500 over a three-year period.

**TYPE:**

**Approval.**

**RESOLUTION**

ORDINANCE  
RECEIVE/FILE

**RECOMMENDATION -**

**BACKGROUND -**

**SUBMITTED BY:**

BEN MONTIJO  
HOUSING SERVICES  
DIRECTOR

The Public Housing Board and the Department of Housing Services has identified resident self-sufficiency as part of their mission. The Department of Housing & Urban Development Super Notice of Funding Availability (SuperNOFA) makes funds available to help residents of public housing and Section 8 housing become economically self-sufficient through job training and placement and supportive services. Staff identified this grant as compatible with Agency goals.

The grant would provide a part-time program coordinator to oversee the program, identifying community resources already providing training, and corporations who would like to work in partnership to train residents in jobs which would provide a living wage. The coordinator would be assisted in this activity by other City staff with community contacts. The coordinator would also help residents identify, and if necessary, assist with the cost of supportive services which would enable them to take a full-time job, such as transportation and childcare.

The Public Housing Board welcomed the opportunity to support this program, and voted on April 19, 2000 to recommend it to the City Council.

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