

**MUNICIPAL HOUSING  
GOVERNING BOARD  
COMMUNICATION:**

**03-221**

**AGENDA:**

MAY 19, 2003

**SUBJECT:**

AUTHORIZING  
SUBMISSION OF  
FAMILY SELF-  
SUFFICIENCY GRANT  
APPLICATION

**TYPE:**

**RESOLUTION**  
RECEIVE/FILE

**SUBMITTED BY:**

MIKE MATTHES  
ACTING HOUSING  
SERVICES DIRECTOR

**ITEM - MHGB\_\_\_\_\_**

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

**SYNOPSIS —**

Requesting approval for submission of grant application for the Family Self-Sufficiency Program to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and authorization for the Mayor to execute and the City Manager to implement grant if awarded.

**FISCAL IMPACT —**

Grant application is for \$108,740 over a one-year period.

**RECOMMENDATION —**

**Approval.**

**BACKGROUND —**

The City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency received funding last year from HUD for a full-time program coordinator to administer a Family Self-Sufficiency Program for Section 8 clients.

The program coordinator provides individual case management to assist clients in achieving goals to become self-sufficient, including training, education, and job development skills.

HUD requires that the Housing Agency administer a Family Self-Sufficiency Program for Section 8 clients, and the Agency has provided a program since 1985.

Funds are available through HUD to renew last year's grant and to add an additional program coordinator to assist with the development of homeownership opportunities for Section 8 families. The grant will cover the salary and fringe benefits for two full-time program coordinators.

