

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

03-254

AGENDA:

JUNE 9, 2003

SUBJECT:

2003 COPS IN
SCHOOLS GRANT

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
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SUBMITTED BY:

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CHIEF OF POLICE

ITEM _____

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

SYNOPSIS —

The Des Moines Police Department and the Des Moines Independent Community School District are filing for a joint Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) in Schools Grant through the U.S. Department of Justice to partially fund salary and benefits for one Sergeant and six Officers for a three-year period.

FISCAL IMPACT —

The total grant award will be approximately \$875,000. Additional program costs to be incurred by the City of Des Moines are estimated for the three-year grant period to be: Fiscal Year (FY) 2004 - \$234,013; FY2005 - \$330,117; FY2006 - \$366,550. The entire program cost rests with the City of Des Moines in the fourth year and is estimated to cost \$644,139 in FY2007.

RECOMMENDATION —

Receive, approve, and sign grant application.

BACKGROUND —

The City of Des Moines lost \$4.5 million in financial assistance from the State of Iowa for FY2004. Due to this shortage, the City of Des Moines School Resource Officer (SRO) program was discontinued for FY2004.

The Des Moines Police Department and Des Moines Independent Community School District have filled out a joint partnership COPS in Schools Grant for FY2004.

Roll Call No. 99-452 established a 28E agreement on February 19, 1999 with the Des Moines Independent School District creating the SRO program.

Staff intends to submit an application for this funding. However, at this time, some question remains to the program's eligibility. This authorization will allow staff to move ahead if the program is deemed eligible. The grant application is due June 13, 2003.

