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## **COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

### **City Manager's Office**

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

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Submitted by: Chris M. Johansen, Housing Services Director

#### **SUBJECT—**

Approval of 2004 Supportive Housing Program Renewal Grant Agreement with HUD.

#### **SYNOPSIS—**

Approval of 2004 Supportive Housing Program Renewal Grant Agreement by and between the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the City of Des Moines for supplemental funding for local homeless programs to address service gaps.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT—**

This grant award totals \$289,733, which the Housing Services Department will administer.

#### **RECOMMENDATION—**

Approval.

#### **BACKGROUND—**

On behalf of the City, the Housing Services Department submitted an application to HUD for Supportive Housing Program funding to provide needed services to homeless persons in Des Moines and Polk County. HUD has forwarded the Supportive Housing Program Grant Agreement totaling \$289,733, which requires Council approval. As the applicant, the City is responsible for the overall management and administration of the grant, including drawdowns, fund distribution and reporting to HUD. This grant is for one year, from May 1, 2005 to April 30, 2006.

The project sponsor, House of Mercy, provides 64 units (195 beds) of transitional housing and support services for homeless, alcohol and drug dependent pregnant and/or parenting mothers.