

 <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p>	Date: August 23, 2010
	Agenda Item No. 25 Roll Call No. <u>10-1381</u> Communication No. <u>10-516</u> Submitted by: Douglas Romig, Housing Services Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of the United Way of Central Iowa Investment Agreement for FY 2010-2011.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend Council Approval of the United Way of Central Iowa Investment Agreement for FY 2010-2011 for the Housing Services Department’s Community Action Program. The program will be administered through Housing’s Community Action Agency, from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011, in the amount of \$19,863.28. The funds will support the site office operations, including staff costs.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$19,863.28

Funding Source: Funding from the United Way of Central Iowa will be deposited to the Fiscal Year 2010-11 Operating Budget, Housing Services Department, United Way, CDD980160, SP749, page 70.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The United Way of Central Iowa provides funding for the City’s Community Action Agency with services delivered through the Housing Services Department’s Community Action Agency Division. Services are delivered through the administrative office at Park Fair Mall and the Forest Avenue, Logan, and Pioneer Columbus Community Action site offices. The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) also provide funding to the City’s Community Action efforts. The funding from United Way supports site office operations, including staff salary and benefits expenses.

Des Moines Community Action Agency is charged with providing services to the City's low-income families and trying to address and eliminate causes of poverty. The City became a public Community Action Agency (CAA) in 1977. This past year the Community Action Agency assisted 28,427 individuals in 10,876 households through its various programs and services.

The beginnings of Community Action can be found in the signing of the Federal Equal Opportunity Act in 1964. There are now 1,000 Community Action Agencies in the U.S. The City of Des Moines is one of eighteen Community Action Agencies serving Iowa.

United Way of Central Iowa's Investment Agreement requires that the City's Community Action Agency use the funding received in compliance with applicable federal anti-terrorist financing and asset control laws, including but not limited to the USA PATRIOT Act. This stipulation is included in the Anti-Terrorism Compliance Measures form to be signed and executed by the Mayor.

United Way of Central Iowa also requires that its funding recipients comply with a Diversity Policy.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: August 10, 2009

Roll Call Number: 09-1451

Action: [United](#) Way of Central Iowa Investment Agreement for FY 2009-2010. ([Council Communication No. 09-544](#)) Moved by Hensley to approve. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

NRB – Neighborhood Revitalization Board

Date: August 4, 2010

Action: Recommend approval of the United Way Investment Agreement – 2010-2011.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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