

Office of the City Manager

Date:	October 25, 2010
Agenda Item No.	29
Roll Call No.	[]
Communication No.	<u>10-653</u>
Submitted by:	Chris Johansen, Assistant City Manager

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of 2009 Supportive Housing Program (SHP) Renewal Grant Agreement with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval to renew the 2009 SHP grant agreement for the Primary Health Care Street Outreach Project

FISCAL IMPACT: [SELECT ONE]

Amount: \$85,000

Funding Source: 2009 HUD Supportive Housing Program

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The City Council approved the 2009 SHP application on October 26, 2009 by Roll Call No. 09-1923. Included in the application was a one-year renewal of the Primary Health Care Street Outreach Project (\$85,000).

The Primary Health Care Street Outreach Project targets chronically homeless individuals in the greater Des Moines area. The assigned staff includes a licensed mental health counselor and a part-time outreach worker. Having a mental health counselor on staff allows them to provide varying levels of interaction with some of the more vulnerable sub populations, ranging from simple engagement and dialogue to therapeutic guidance — right on the spot. The Street Outreach Team makes regular contact with those who live in less than habitable conditions such as on the streets, under bridges, or along riverside camp outs.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): Choose an item.

<u>Date</u>: October 26, 2009

Roll Call Number: 09-1923

<u>Action</u>: Supportive Housing Program application to be submitted to HUD (<u>Council Communication 09-733</u>). Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Approved 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): Choose an item.

Board: Polk County Housing Continuum

Date: April 1, 2009

Resolution Number: NA

<u>Action</u>: The Polk County Housing Continuum Board recommended adoption of the Continuum of Care Committee's recommendations for the 2009 Supportive Housing Program.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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