

# Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

**Date:** October 24, 2011

Agenda Item No. 39 Roll Call No. 11-1799

11-655

Communication No.

Submitted by:

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Director

# **AGENDA HEADING:**

Approving the contract with the Iowa Insurance Division's Senior Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP) to identify and assist with applications of individuals who may qualify for the Social Security Administration's Low Income Subsidy (LIS) Prescription Drug Program

# **SYNOPSIS:**

Housing Services Board recommended City Council approve the contract with Iowa Insurance Division's Senior Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP) which provides screening to identify individuals who might qualify for Social Security Administration Low Income Subsidy for the Medicare Prescription Drug program (LIS), but who have not applied, and to help them with their applications.

# **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$3,450

<u>Funding Source</u>: Iowa Insurance Division deposited to the FY11 Operating Budget SP749 / CDD980100 Community Service Fund, Page 70.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Low Income Subsidy (LIS) Prescription Drug Program is managed by the Iowa Insurance Division's Senior Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP) to identify and assist with applications of individuals who may qualify for this Social Security Administration program. Des Moines Community Action Agency is in contact with potentially eligible people and has been identified as a partner for this program. The income and resource guidelines for the low-income energy assistance programs administered by Des Moines Community Action Agency parallel the income and resource guidelines for the LIS. Potential clients will be screened for eligibility and will be assisted in completing the LIS applications. The City shall be paid \$50.00 for each confirmed LIS application submitted for a client applying for LIS through the contract term until a total amount paid reaches \$3,450. This will provide for a total of 50 eligible applications under the terms and conditions set forth in the Contract.

# PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: February 14, 2011

Roll Call Number: 11-0235

<u>Action</u>: <u>Agreement</u> with Iowa Insurance Division's Senior Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP) to identify and assist with applications of individuals who may qualify for the Social Security Administration Low Income Subsidy (LIS) Prescription Drug Program. (<u>Council Communication No. 11-064</u>) **Moved by Hensley to approve. Motion Carried 7-0.** 

# **BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):**

**Board:** Housing Services Board (HSB)

Date: October 19, 2011

### **Resolution Number:**

<u>Action</u>: Recommend approval of contract with Iowa Insurance Division's Senior Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP) to identify and assist with applications of individuals who may qualify for the Social Security Administration Low Income Subsidy (LIS) Prescription Drug Program.

# ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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