

# **Council Communication**

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Agenda Item No. MHGB4 Roll Call No. 17-1520

Communication No.

17-636 Jackie J. Lloyd, Interim **Submitted by:** 

**Housing Services Director** 

#### **AGENDA HEADING:**

Approving City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency (DMMHA) submittal of the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program Coordinators grant application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

#### **SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend Municipal Housing Governing Board approval for submission of the FSS Program Coordinator grant to HUD and authorization for the Mayor to execute the grant agreement and Housing Services Interim Director to execute any related documents and to implement the grant if awarded.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$216,000

Funding Source: 2017-2018 Operating Budget: Housing Services Department- Family Self-

Sufficiency Program, SP350 HS125000, Page 111.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The DMMHA received funding last year from HUD for three (3) full-time program FSS Program Coordinators to administer the FSS Program. The purpose of the FSS Program is to promote the development of local strategies to coordinate the use of Housing Choice Voucher and Public Housing assistance with public and private resources to enable participating families to increase earned income and financial literacy, reduce or eliminate the need for welfare assistance, and make progress toward economic independence and self-sufficiency.
- The FSS Program Coordinators provide individual case management to assist participants in achieving goals to become self-sufficient. FSS Program Coordinators provide referrals, training, education, and job development skills to enrolled participants. The DMMHA has provided such a program since 1985 and provided case management to 149 FSS Program participants during the Notice of Funding Availability target period (January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016). During the target period, 30 FSS Program participants graduated successfully from the program.

## PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

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

**Board:** Municipal Housing Agency Governing Board

Date: April 11, 2016

Resolution Number: N/A

<u>Action</u>: <u>Approving</u> City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency submittal of the Family Self Sufficiency Program Coordinators Grant Application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. (Board Communication No. 16-163) Moved by Gatto to approve. Motion Carried 7-0.

## ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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