

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	25-357	Meeting:	September 29, 2025
	Agenda Item:	45	Roll Call:	25-1302
	Submitted by:	Chris Johansen, Neighborhood Services Department Director		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between Rebuilding Together and Improving Our Neighborhoods (ION).

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend that the City Council approve the MOU between ION (a program of Property Improvement Division) and Rebuilding Together. This has been mutually beneficial for providing repairs that are outside of the scope of the ION program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$100,000

Funding Source: Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026 Operating Budget, Page 130, Property Improvement H901 NS414000, Special Revenue Fund

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- This is a renewal of the Rebuilding Together MOU that allows ION to work with Rebuilding Together for items outside of ION's scope. Over the last two (2) years, this agreement allowed additional repair beyond ION's funding on 38 homes. At last check, an additional \$161,639.15 of other funds was used to complete repairs.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: July 15, 2024

Roll Call Number: [24-0968](#)

Action: [Agreement](#) with Rebuilding Together Greater Des Moines, Inc. d/b/a Rebuilding Together to support homeowners using the Neighborhood Services - Property Improvement Division (ION Program). ([Council Communication No. 24-295](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Coleman. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: May 22, 2023

Roll Call Number: [23-0745](#)

Action: [Grant](#) funding agreement with Rebuilding Together Greater Des Moines, Inc. d/b/a Rebuilding Together to support homeowners using the ION Homeowner Renovation Program. Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Boesen. Motion Carried 6-1. Absent: Sheumaker.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Renew annually if mutually beneficial.

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