

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	26-065	Meeting:	February 23, 2026
	Agenda Item:	26	Roll Call:	26-0243
	Submitted by:	Chris Johansen, Neighborhood Services Department Director		

AGENDA HEADING:

Request to Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) for additional Community Development Block Grant funds to prepare for, prevent, and respond to Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) for shelter operations

SYNOPSIS:

On February 3, 2026, IEDA notified the City of Des Moines that there are additional CDBG-CV funds available for reallocation towards shelter operations. After checking with the four eligible subrecipients, two subrecipients responded that they would like the City to request additional funds on their behalf.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$22,000

Funding Source: CDBG-CV, as passed through the State of Iowa

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Recipients (cities/counties) may request an additional \$10,000 per shelter for operational costs where an existing subrecipient agreement is in place under this award. The four eligible shelters in Des Moines include:
 - Central Iowa Shelter & Services (CISS);
 - Families Forward;
 - Catholic Charities; and
 - Iowa Homeless Youth Center (IHYC).
- CISS and Families Forward requested \$10,000 additional funds each, which means the City will request \$20,000 on behalf of the two shelters.
- Recipients (cities/counties) may also request an additional \$1,000 in administrative costs per shelter in the current award. The City will request \$2,000 for staff time allocated to this program.

- All shelters must be able to document that they have an unmet need for the additional \$10,000, that it would continue to be put toward a new or increased level of service and that it would not constitute a duplication of benefits.
- The deadline to expend funds is May 31, 2026.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: May 19, 2025

Roll Call Number: [25-0785](#)

Action: [On](#) application to Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) for Community Development Block Grant Funds to prepare, prevent and respond to coronavirus (CDBGCV). ([Council Communication No. 25-205](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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