


MHGB COMMUNICATION

	Number:	26-184	Meeting:	May 18, 2026
	Agenda Item:	MHGB3	Roll Call:	26-0594
	Submitted by:	Chris Johansen, Neighborhood Services Department Director		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency Submittal of Comprehensive Housing Counseling Grant Application to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend Municipal Housing Governing Board approval for submission of the Comprehensive Housing Counseling grant to HUD and authorization for the Mayor or Housing Executive Director to execute and implement the grant if awarded.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$15,000

Funding Source: 2026-2027 Operating Budget: Housing Services Department – Central Office S350 HS001000, Page 116

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency has had a HUD approved Housing Counseling Program since August 28, 2020 providing Housing Counseling services to residents of Polk County, Iowa. Housing Counseling services include information and tools for consumers seeking, financing, maintaining, renting, or owning a home and assist consumers to make informed decisions about their housing options.

The Comprehensive Housing Counseling grant will provide targeted housing counseling and group education in HUD's priority areas of rental counseling for HUD-assisted households transitioning to unassisted housing; post-purchase housing counseling for eligible homeowners, disaster preparedness and recovery counseling for HUD-assisted households and eligible homeowners.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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