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### **YEARS COVERED BY THIS APPLICATION PROCESS**

Calendar years 2023 and 2024.

### **APPROXIMATE FUNDING AVAILABLE**

The City of Des Moines expects to allocate approximately \$250,000/year in Human Service funds for 2023-2024.

### **APPLICATION ASSISTANCE**

City of Des Moines staff is available to help with any questions related to the City's process and/or answer questions you may have about the content of the application. Please direct requests to Rochelle Sems at [rsems@desmoineswa.gov](mailto:rsems@desmoineswa.gov). You can also contact Nicole Nordholm, Assistant Director of PRSS, at [nnordholm@desmoineswa.gov](mailto:nnordholm@desmoineswa.gov).

### **APPLICATION REVIEW PROCESS**

Applications will be reviewed by the Des Moines Human Services Commission, a volunteer board appointed by the City Council. Commission recommendations are expected by September with consideration by City Council planned for October. Final allocation amounts will be approved and adopted as part of the overall City budget. City of Des Moines staff will notify agencies of final allocations following City Council approval, which will occur November/December. Awarded funds will be available January 1, 2023.

### **FUNDING CRITERIA**

Funding priority will be given to programs that assist Des Moines community members to:

- Have secure, affordable housing and food adequate to their needs.
- Be safe from violence within their families, neighborhoods and communities.
- Be healthy, physically and mentally.
- Have the education and job skills that lead to employment in living wage jobs.
- Have early childhood education and youth success.

In order to be considered for funding, agencies must:

1. Be current with Federal and State licensing.
2. Be willing and able to accept reimbursement for funds.
3. Regularly track and submit required reports regarding services and demographics.

In general, the City of Des Moines recognizes the need to support agencies that meet basic human service needs and welcomes applications from agencies that provide such services to Des Moines residents. Those programs best able to demonstrate solid outcomes for participants will be viewed most favorably.