# 2021 Policy Recommendations

## I. Language Access

As Latinos in Iowa are disproportionately impacted and affected by the lack of information and resources about COVID-19 in their own languages from Iowa’s Government, the Iowa Commission of Latino Affairs recommends that Iowa’s state agencies provide ALL information regarding COVID-19 in multiple languages.

## II. Driver’s Licenses for All

Provide driver’s licenses for all residents of Iowa, regardless of immigration status. Providing driver licenses for all Iowa residents regardless of immigration status ensures public safety. Driver licenses contain addresses and other identifiable information, helps drivers understand the rules and responsibilities of the road through a proficiency examination, and reduces the number of uninsured motorists because drivers are more likely to register their vehicle and obtain adequate insurance. Having a driver’s license allows residents to engage in Iowa’s economic, social and cultural life.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Latino Affairs at 515-281-4080 or Sonia.Reyes@iowa.gov

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The Iowa Commission of Latino Affairs is a governor-appointed Commission comprised of public members who:

- Study opportunities and changing needs of the Latino population of this state;
- Serve as a liaison between the Department and the public;
- Recommend legislative and executive action to the General Assembly and Governor;
- Establish advisory committees, workgroups of other coalitions to achieve goals.

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