



Iowa's Juvenile Justice Advisory Council

The JJAC fulfills the duties of the federally mandated State Advisory Group (SAG), defined in the federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDPA). The JJAC is staffed by the Iowa Division of Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning (CJJP) within the Iowa Department of Human Rights (DHR). The JJDPA is administered by the federal Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), which is housed within the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) in the federal Department of Justice (DOJ). Additionally, the JJAC is a member of the national Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ), which provides a voice for all the state, territory, and district SAGs to address juvenile justice issues at the federal and national level.

The JJAC is responsible for examining the condition of juvenile justice within the State by making recommendations to the Governor and the legislative body, helping develop and implement the state's 3-year plan, advising on the use of federal funds awarded to the state, and monitoring Iowa's compliance with the JJDPA.

The JJAC meets once per quarter, with the potential for special meetings called by the Chair. In addition to regular council meetings, there are opportunities to participate on the council's sub-committees: Policy & Programs (P&P); Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC); Iowa Task Force for Young Women (ITFYW), and Juvenile Justice Youth Sub-Committee (JJYS). These sub-committees also hold individual, quarterly meetings.

MEMBERS OF THE JJAC ARE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR FOR 3-YEAR TERMS. THE COUNCIL IS REQUIRED TO HAVE BETWEEN 15 MEMBERS AND 33 MEMBERS, WITH AT LEAST ONE-FIFTH OF THE MEMBERS BEING UNDER THE AGE OF 28 AT INITIAL APPOINTMENT TO THE COUNCIL.

TO APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP, PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE AT THE IOWA TALENT BANK:

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