

**SCOTT COUNTY'S INTERVENTION PLAN  
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**IOWA'S PLAN FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE  
DISPROPORTIONATE MINORITY CONTACT  
(DMC) CORE REQUIREMENT OF THE  
FEDERAL JUVENILE JUSTICE AND  
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## **Scott County**

This document is an excerpt from Iowa's 2018 Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Compliance Plan. This document provides information regarding Scott County's activities and progress with DMC in calendar year (CY) 2017, and DMC reduction strategies planned for CY 2018. The information provided here includes: the application of services, system changes, training, and technical assistance, at the county level to reduce DMC in Iowa's juvenile justice system. The reduction strategies in this county-level report were developed by local officials in Scott County.

Similar documents are available which provide intervention information at the state-level and for the following local jurisdictions: Black Hawk, Dubuque, Johnson, Linn, Polk, Pottawattamie, Webster, and Woodbury counties. A full copy of the DMC Compliance plan is available by contacting Julie Rinker at CJJP ([Julie.Rinker@iow.gov](mailto:Julie.Rinker@iow.gov), or 515 242-5823).

### **Phase III: Scott County Intervention**

#### **1. Activities and Progress, Scott County, CY2017**

##### Scott County Site Activities Implemented

- Implemented the DST throughout the district.
- Expanded the Pre-Arrest Diversion Program to every municipality in Scott County, including the Scott County Sheriff's Department.
- Continued the Young Women's Empowerment Group.
  - The group addresses issue ranging from trust, anger management, sexuality, self-esteem, body image, and victim empathy behavioral (change oriented) thinking. The group consists of eight to ten girls and each cohort meets every Wednesday of the month for ten weeks.

##### Scott County Site Activities Not Implemented

- All planned activities were implemented.

#### **2. DMC Reduction Strategies, Scott County, CY2018**

The Scott County Identification Section (page 65) and Assessment/Diagnosis Section (page 2) of this report provides a volume of research and data that reflect overrepresentation of minority youth, particularly African-American youth, at specific decision point of the local juvenile justice system. Those data and research indicate, in particular, overrepresentation at complaint, petition, detention, and underrepresentation at diversion. Scott County strategies, together with collaborative efforts from the local partners, the SPA, the DMC Subcommittee, are targeted to reduce overrepresentation/underrepresentation at key decision points.

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Timeline</b>
<i>Continue Implementation of School Discipline Reform</i>	Throughout CY2018
<i>Continue Implementation of JDAI</i>	Throughout CY2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Continue to utilize the DST.</li> <li>● Add a (deeper end) Placement Diversion Group in the Clinton/Jackson area.</li> <li>● Add a Young Women's Empowerment Group to the Muscatine/Cedar area.</li> </ul>	
<i>Participate in State DMC Sub.</i>	Quarterly
<i>Participate in Local DMC Committee</i>	Local Committee meets monthly
<i>SPA DMC-related TA</i>	Site visits from SPA
<i>Enhance efforts to reduce DMC</i>	Throughout CY2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Work towards creating a system that fits the community through adding on to the diversion program by providing classes by trained staff to the community.</li> </ul>	