

**WEBSTER 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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This document is an excerpt from Iowa's 2018 Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Compliance Plan. This document provides information regarding Webster 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 Webster 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, Scott, and Woodbury counties. A full copy of the DMC Compliance plan is available by contacting Julie Rinker at CJJP (Julie.Rinker@iow.gov, or 515 242-5823).

Phase III: Webster County Intervention

1. Activities and Progress, Webster County, CY2017

Webster County Site Activities Implemented

- Continued to work with the school to add the Friday Night Diversion Program into their Code of Conduct.
- Further displayed to the community they are an investment to the work of the DMC committee by building collaborations within the community and ensuring that there are equal voices being heard in forums and discussions.
- Held a conference call with Davenport Police Department, 7th Judicial District Juvenile Court Services, to discuss their pre-charge diversion program.
 - Topics discussed included overall program design, implementation steps, lessons learned, and success stories.

Webster County Site Activities Not Implemented

- All planned activities were implemented.

2. DMC Reduction Strategies, Webster County, CY2018

The Webster County Identification Section (page 71) 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 points of the local juvenile justice system. Those data and research indicate, in particular, overrepresentation at complaint, petition, and underrepresentation at diversion. Webster 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.

Activity	Timeline
<i>Implementation of Detention and School Discipline Reform</i>	Throughout CY2018
<i>Participate in Local DMC-related mtgs.</i>	Participate as needed
<i>Participate in State DMC Sub.</i>	Quarterly
<i>SPA DMC-related TA</i>	Site visits from SPA
<i>Enhance efforts to reduce DMC</i>	Throughout CY2018
<i>Enhance community involvement with DMC</i>	Throughout CY2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Further display to the community they are an investment to the work of the DMC committee by building collaborations within the community and ensuring there are equal voices being heard in forums and discussions. 	
<i>Pre-Charge Diversion</i>	Throughout CY2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Continue to offer the Friday Evening Program (FEP) at both schools. ● Collaborate with Fort Dodge Community School District Superintendent Doug VanZyl and other administrators from Fort Dodge Senior High and Fort Dodge Middle School to make FEP a true pre-charge diversion program. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ School Resource Officers (SRO) will determine eligibility for diversion and identify on the student's report it is a diversion program in an attempt to keep the child out of the juvenile delinquency system while still holding the child accountable for his/her behavior. Upon completion of the program, the matter will be closed. 	