# **BUDGET UNIT BRIEF - FY 2025**

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# **Iowa Center for Agricultural Health and Safety**

### **Purpose and History**

In 1990, the Iowa Legislature identified the need to fund a statewide center to assist farmers with agricultural safety and health concerns. This led to the creation of the Iowa Center for Agricultural Safety and Health, or I-Cash. The Center is a collaborative effort between the University of Iowa, Iowa State University, the Iowa Department of Public Health, and the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship. The Center develops preventive and educational initiatives.

#### **Programs**

There are a number of programs at the I-Cash that include:

- <u>Farm Families Alive and Well Updates</u>, which are articles on various topics related to farm health and safety issues.
- Agricultural Youth Grants, which are small grants to community youth groups for farm safety-related projects.
- The Midwest Rural Agricultural Safety and Health conference, held once per year to bring together safety and health researchers and professionals, health care providers, farmers, and rural advocates committed to building a safer and healthier agriculture.
- Safety Watch, a monthly column published by lowa Farmer Today that features agricultural safety and health information, success stories, and producer profiles. I-Cash is one of the collaborative partners of Safety Watch.

#### Funding — State General Fund

Fiscal Year 2020 was the first year of I-Cash funding in the Agriculture and Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee.

#### **Related Statutes and Administrative Rules**

Iowa Code section 262.78

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#### More Information

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