

HUMAN RIGHTS, DEPARTMENT OF

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The Department of Human Rights is an umbrella agency composed of (1) advocacy organizations for women, families, persons with disabilities, poor, Latinos, and African American persons and (2) a service-providing organization for the deaf and hard of hearing.

The divisions of Persons with Disabilities; Community Action Agencies; Deaf Services; Latinos Affairs; the Status of Women; Status of African-Americans; and Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning are included. All, with the exception of Community Action Agencies and Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning, have rule-making authority. The organizations making up this department are further delineated below:

Community Action Agencies, Division of

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Community Action Agencies Commission

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The Division of Community Action Agencies was created by 1986 Iowa Acts, Senate File 2175, Part 6 to provide a range of services to improve the conditions of poverty in the state. The three bureaus within the division include Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, Weatherization Assistance Program, and Community Services.

The purpose of the division is to provide financial assistance for community action agencies to administer the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Block Grant, Department of Energy funds for weatherization received in Iowa, and to implement community action programs as permitted by the Community Services Block Grant.

Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning Advisory Council

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The Division of Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning administers criminal and juvenile justice planning in the state, including research, program implementation, and making recommendations for policy changes. In addition, the division maintains a statistical analysis center to assist agencies in the use of criminal and juvenile justice data. The division is also responsible for administering the federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act.