



## Johnson County Social Services

- General Assistance Program ~ provides short-term monetary assistance to Johnson County residents in extreme financial crisis; short-term, one-time, burial and interim assistance
- Social Services Navigator ~ works across various social services silos to connect individuals to needed services providing short-term follow up support
- Aging Services ~ provides care coordination and assists older adults and caregivers with accessing resources
- Johnson County Livable Community for Successful Aging ~ a policy of the Board of Supervisors. Consists of several action teams. Maintains a web-based provider directory of services at [www.livablecommunity.org](http://www.livablecommunity.org).
- Mobility Coordinator ~ reduces transportation barriers by connecting elderly, disabled and low income to various transit options in addition to providing transit trip planning and training.
- Johnson County Decategorization ~ redirects state child welfare and juvenile justice funding to services which are more preventative, family centered and community-based in order to reduce use of out-of-home placements. In FY17 \$340,787 awarded through 24 contracts
- Johnson County Empowerment/Early Childhood Iowa ~ in collaboration with area partner agencies, provides family support services and early childhood education programming for families with children pre-natal – age 5. As part of the safe kids campaign distributes car seats and cribs when available.
- Juvenile Justice Youth Development ~ \$300,000 awarded annually to programs that promote positive youth development and prevent juvenile crime and delinquency. JJYD Policy Board meets quarterly, appointments made by the Board of Supervisors
- Social Services Block Grants ~ In FY19, 25 local non-profit organizations received \$1,438,238 in grant funding for operational and programming support
- Focus on Youth ~ provides financial support for services for youth with emotional and behavioral health needs
- VITA Tax Clinics ~ a joint collaboration with the Tippie College of Business, provides free tax preparation services for households earning less than \$55,000
- Community Partnership for Protecting Children ~ community-based shared decision making approach to protecting children and preventing child abuse (mini-grants)
- Disproportionate Minority Contact ~ committee meets monthly to address community-wide DMC issues in the juvenile justice and child welfare systems
- Youth Empowered to Serve ~ summer employment and personal skills training program for youth 14-17 years of age
- Juvenile Detention and Detention Alternative Program ~ support for the Detention Alternative Program with Four Oaks and monitoring of detention services for Johnson County youth
- Mental Health Advocate ~ court appointed advocate for individuals court ordered for mental health commitments