

Iowa County, Iowa  
Policy Manual

Title: Excessive Force Prohibition	Reference #: AD007
Section: Administration	Date Effective/Revised: 12/16/2016
Department (s): All	Approved By: Board of Supervisors

**POLICY ON THE PROHIBITION OF THE USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE**

WHEREAS, the County of Iowa, Iowa (hereinafter referred to as "County") has received federal funding through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program; and,

WHEREAS, Section 519 of the Department of Veteran Affairs and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act of 1990 requires that all CDBG recipients adopt and enforce a policy to prohibit the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within the recipient's jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and

WHEREAS, all recipients of CDBG funds are further required to follow a policy of enforcing applicable state and local laws against physically barring entrances or exits to a facility that is the subject of a nonviolent protest demonstration; and

WHEREAS, the County endorses a policy prohibiting the use of excessive force and will inform all law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction of this policy,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County hereby prohibits any law enforcement agency operating within its jurisdiction from using excessive force against any individuals engaged in nonviolent civil rights demonstrations. In addition, the County agrees to enforce any applicable state or local laws against physically barring entrances or exits from a facility or location that is the subject of a non-violent protest demonstration. The County further pledges enforcement of this policy within its jurisdiction and encourages any individual or group who feels that the County has not complied with this policy to file a complaint.

Information and assistance relative to excessive force complaints shall be provided by the County, which may be contacted at 970 Court Avenue, Marengo, Iowa 52301.

Adopted by the County this 16 day of December, 2016.

  
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Chairperson