



Iowa
**Vocational
 Rehabilitation**
 Services

Finding solutions. Generating success.



"Empowering individuals with disabilities to maximize employment, economic self-sufficiency, independence, inclusion and integration into society."

Working in Partnership

The State Rehabilitation Council (SRC), with members appointed by the Governor, provides advice and direction to the Department of Education's Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services on the quality and effectiveness of programs and services.

Rosie Thierer, SRC CHAIR



Polk County
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SRC Members 2015-2016

Name	County of Residence	Representing
Joan Bindel	Polk	Business, Labor and Industry
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Nicole Cleveland	Woodbury	Business, Labor and Industry
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James Smith	Johnson	IVRS Counselor, Ex Officio Member
David Mitchell, IVRS Administrator	Polk	Ex Officio Member

FFY 2015



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-  **6,067** individuals were referred for services
-  **5,747** individuals were eligible for services at IVRS
-  **2,321** VR Iowans with disabilities obtained employment
-  **\$11.72** was the average hourly wage for successfully placed job candidates

The Return On Investment

Approximately 96% of successful VR job candidates remain in Iowa — working, paying taxes and contributing to their communities.



Iowans with disabilities served by Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services **earn \$11.3 million more than was spent** on the entire VR program in FFY 2015.

Youth in Transition

In partnership with local school districts, IVRS assists students with disabilities to prepare for success in vocational, academic and independent living settings. IVRS has a presence in every public high school in the state of Iowa to assist with a student's transition to employment.

More than \$7.37 million was spent on tuition assistance for students in post-secondary training programs to obtain educational or occupational skills training to help compete in today's labor market.



James



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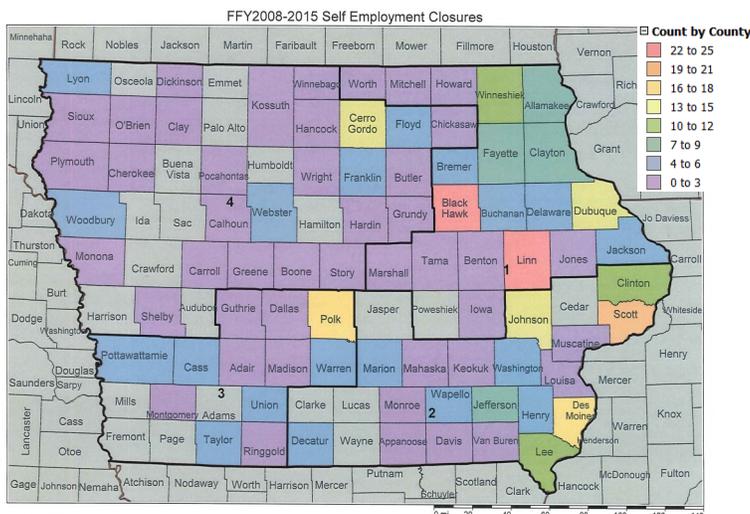


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Iowa Self-Employment Program



Through the IVRS Iowa Self-Employment (ISE) program, 50 Iowa businesses were started or expanded in 2015.

These entrepreneurs with disabilities earn an average of \$14.23 per hour and work an average of 28 hours per week.



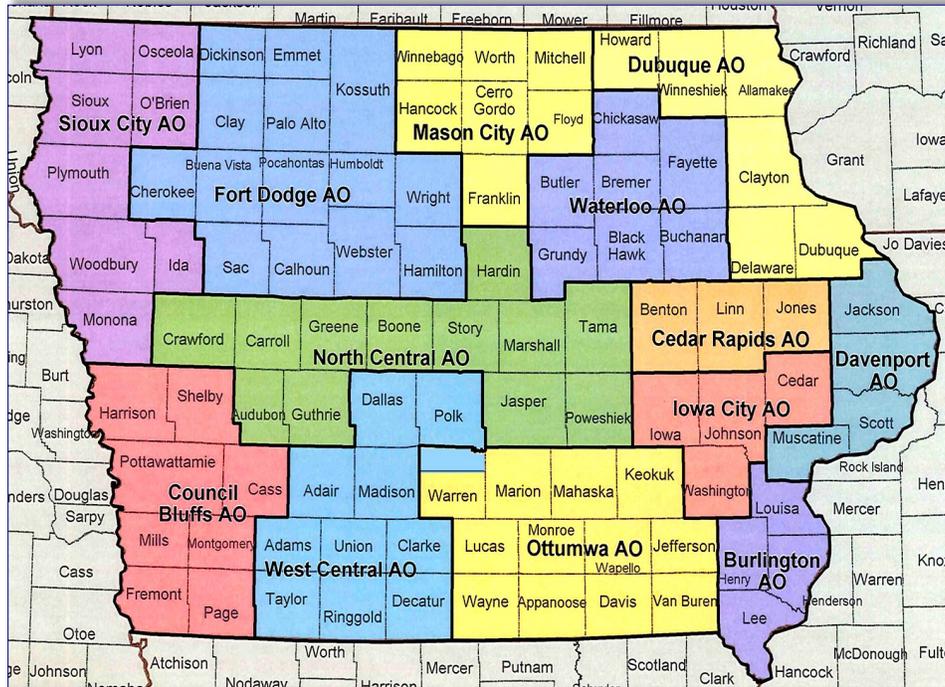
Our Top Employer Partners FY 2015

Hy-Vee, Inc. | **accommodate** | Walmart | McDonald's | UnityPoint Health
 Casey's General Store | Pizza Ranch | **synergy** | Menards Inc. | Fareway Food Stores
 Walgreens | Goodwill Industries | T.J. Maxx | Burger King | **unmet needs** | Hardee's
 Kmart | **collaboration** | Mercy Medical Systems | University of Iowa | U.S. Post Office
 Kwik Star | Pizza Hut | Tyson Foods | **relationships** | Kelly Services | Wendy's | **partner success** | Sam's Club | U.S. Military | Applebee's | Wells Fargo | **TEAMWORK**
 Winnebago Industries | **work** | FedEx | Home Depot | Dollar General | Target
 Great River Health Systems | **economic development** | Securitas Security Systems
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