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CCJCC MEDIA RELEASE - **"Stepping Up" Planning Group meetings**

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CLINTON COUNTY, IA: CLINTON COUNTY JUSTICE COORDINATING COMMISSION (CCJCC) ANNOUNCES "STEPPING UP" PLANNING GROUP MEETINGS. THE MAIN GOAL OF "STEPPING UP" IS TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WITH MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES AND MENTAL ILLNESSES IN COUNTY JAILS. "STEPPING UP" IS A NACo INITIATIVE AND CLINTON COUNTY HAS SIGNED A STEPPING UP RESOLUTION.

Citizens and community partners are invited to participate in the "Stepping Up" planning group. Law Enforcement Officials, First Responders, treatment and prevention specialists, Probation, Court Officials, Peer Support Specialists, service groups, family members impacted by mental illness and/or substance abuse who are involved with the criminal justice system and those with lived experience are invited to participate.

The group will meet for five consecutive Mondays at 1:00. Meeting dates are: October 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30th (1:00 - 2:30 P.M.). Meetings will be held at the Clinton County Administration Building, located at 1900 North Third Street, in the BOS conference room. Webinars will be viewed by the group, followed by discussion and completion of Stepping Up planning guides. Future goals and action steps will develop as the planning group completes the Stepping Up planning Toolkit for jurisdictions.

Stepping Up information is listed at www.clintoncounty-ia.gov.

Click on "Departments" and "CCJCC" to view. Stepping Up details and how to sign on can be viewed at www.stepuptogether.org. Contact CCJCC for further information at 563.243.6213 x 4310 or ccjcc@clintoncounty-ia.gov.

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