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IOWA — Disability Rights Iowa is excited to announce their new vision, mission, and core values to the public. The updates made to these statements more directly represent the new areas of focus decided on through public survey, our Board of Directors, and Mental Health Advisory Council. The new statements highlight Disability Rights Iowa’s new focus on systemic advocacy.

The new Mission Statement as stated above is: Advocating for justice. Advancing human and legal rights. Protecting Iowans with disabilities. Disability Rights Iowa is excited to share their vision for the future of Disability Rights for the state of Iowa. The new vision statement describes that future: Disability Rights Iowa strives for a changed world where people with disabilities are valued and fully included in their communities, their workplaces, and their schools, where they have equitable access to all opportunities and make their own decisions.

Disability Rights Iowa is committed to protecting the civil and human rights of persons with disabilities through zealous advocacy and representation. To lead the advocacy, Disability Rights Iowa has determined the following words and their definitions as guideposts for their advocacy.

- Civil Rights
- Partnership
- Empowerment
- Equal Access
- Justice
- Inclusion
- Intersectionality
- Dignity
- Change

The organization is hopeful the new statements and values will excite the public and the Disability Rights Iowa team to continue advancing and protecting the rights of Iowans with disabilities.

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