



*For updates and information on what the HRC is doing, please visit our website at [www.isabellacounty.org/hrc/](http://www.isabellacounty.org/hrc/)*

The Human Rights Committee (HRC) was established in 2008 by the Isabella County Board of Commissioners. Its purpose is to promote human rights in Isabella County. The HRC also reviews and recommends action on issues and concerns related to human rights in Isabella County.

### Specifically, the HRC will:

- Provide programming and education to County residents on issues related to enhancing positive interactions between the diverse residents of Isabella County.
- Serve as a liaison between the County and other local diversity or minority organizations.
- Collect data regarding acts of discrimination or harassment within Isabella County and share the analysis of that data, with recommendations for action, to the Board of Commissioners and the County Administrator.
- Monitor the actions taken by governmental bodies regarding acts of discrimination or harassment reported to the Board of Commissioners and the County Administrator by the HRC.
- Collaborate with the County Administrator to ensure the goals of the HRC are appropriately implemented.
- Provide guidance to, and participate in establishing goals for, the HRC Diversity Student Intern(s).
- Report to the Board of Commissioners and the County Administrator on the extent of human rights violations within Isabella County.

## Incident Report Form

Residents in Isabella County who believe that they have been discriminated against on the basis of religion, race, ethnicity, culture, immigration status, socioeconomic status, education level, gender expression, political belief, color, national origin, age, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identification, height, familial status, weight, disability status, or veteran status may file a formal Incident Report with the Human Rights Committee.

*The Incident Report Form* in Adobe pdf format can be downloaded from the Isabella County website [www.isabellacounty.org/hrc/](http://www.isabellacounty.org/hrc/). Once completed, please submit the form to the Isabella County Administrator's Office at the address listed.

**a) Article 1:** All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of brotherhood [sisterhood];

**b) Article 3:** Everyone has the right to life, liberty and security of person;

**c) Article 5:** No one shall be subject to torture or to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment.

### List of Human Rights and Civil Rights Organizations:

#### State and local organizations:

Michigan Department of Civil Rights: [www.michigan.gov/mdcr](http://www.michigan.gov/mdcr)

#### National & International Organizations:

American Disabilities Act: [ada.gov](http://ada.gov)

Amnesty International: [amnesty.org](http://amnesty.org)

Anti-slavery International: [antislavery.org](http://antislavery.org)

Children's Defense Fund (CDF): [childrensdefense.org](http://childrensdefense.org)

Disability Network Mid-Michigan [www.dnmm.org](http://www.dnmm.org)

Human Rights Campaign National Council of La Raza

Human Rights Watch: [hrw.org](http://hrw.org)

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP):  
[naacp.org](http://naacp.org)

UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights: [ohchr.org](http://ohchr.org)

### Human Rights Committee Meetings

The Human Rights Committee (HRC) meets on the first Monday of each month at 5:15 p.m. in the Isabella County Building, room 225 (except holidays). The meetings are open to the public; all are invited to attend and share their interests or concerns with the HRC.

Check the website to confirm meeting dates and location.

### Isabella County Office of the Administrator/Controller

The Isabella County Office of the Administrator or Controller works with the HRC. Any individuals interested in the activities and actions of the HRC may contact the Administrator's Office or any of the HRC members.

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#### Office Hours:

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Closed on holidays

