

Amanda Stewart
Vice President Nominee

Amanda Stewart currently works as a Re-Entry Community Treatment Coordinator with the Sixth Judicial District. Prior to this role, she worked for the Anamosa State Penitentiary as a Correctional Counselor and the Department of Human Services as a Social Worker II. She holds a Master's degree in Criminal Justice and is a Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CADC). She also serves as a Moral Reconciliation Therapy (MRT) Master Trainer and Defensive Tactics Instructor for the State of Iowa. Amanda has been a member of ICA since 2019 and is currently serving as an At-Large Board Member the past 2 years.

I have decided to run for the office of Vice President because I would like to continue to remain involved with ICA and help expand our membership base.

My vision for ICA over the next few years is to grow our membership base and garner more participation from correctional officers and other departments within the IDOC. I also see ICA as an opportunity to connect Iowa institutions and community-based corrections.

Traditionally, our organization has sponsored a wide variety of activities. I believe ICA should continue to sponsor or begin sponsoring more training opportunities that allow us to keep up with the latest trends in Corrections.

Although the criminal justice system is complex, there are ways it could be more effective by getting everyone involved in the criminal justice field (e.g. Police Officers/Jails/Courts/Attorneys/Judges and Institutions/Community Based Corrections) to work closer together to achieve the common goal to reduce recidivism rates and make communities feel safe.