

2021 PUBLIC POLICY



The Technology Association of Iowa (TAI) is the voice calling for a technology-based, pro-growth, business-focused agenda.

KEY INITIATIVES

TAI is the leader in advocacy for technology-based companies and emerging technologies in Iowa. The organization influences legislation and policies at the federal, state and local levels to impact the growth and sustainability of Iowa's technology industry. TAI educates and informs policymakers on issues and challenges that are important to Iowa's technology sectors. From the Iowa Statehouse and the Office of the Governor, to legislative committee rooms and city halls across the state, TAI is the voice advocating for a technology-based, pro-growth, business-focused agenda.

TAI's Public Policy Committee relied heavily on the Association's mission in preparing key ideas, goals and legislative initiatives to:

- ✓ **Advance policies that attract human and financial capital to Iowa.**
- ✓ **Elevate Iowa (rural and urban) as the premier state for technology workforce.**
- ✓ **Promote policies that foster a culture of diversity and inclusion.**
- ✓ **Ensure Iowa's K-12 Computer Science curriculum is the best in the nation.**

KEY PRIORITIES

- ✓ **Broadband Access**
Facilitate the deployment of broadband access to all Iowans across the state.
- ✓ **Education Access**
Support programs, such as Future Ready Iowa, that connect Iowans to the training and education required for good paying jobs and careers to improve people's lives.
- ✓ **IEDA Funding**
The Iowa Economic Development Authority provides various forms of funding to Iowa businesses, communities and individuals to instill growth and success within the state.
- ✓ **Innovation Tax Credits & Angel Investor Tax Credits**
Promote availability and equity of IEDA Tax Credits. The Innovation Fund Tax Credit empowers Iowa businesses with venture capital investments; Angel Investor Tax Credits increase the availability and accessibility of venture capital for Iowa startup companies.