

Civil Rights Information for ATCOG CJ Programs

➤ ATCOG has an Equal Employment Opportunity Plan in place and the ATCOG Human Resources Manager acts as the EEO Officer and is responsible for implementing the ATCOG EEO Program. Through the EEO Plan and the EEO Officer, employees are notified that ATCOG provides a work environment that is free from discrimination, including harassment, based on race, color, national origin, religion, creed, sex, age, genetic information, disability status, protected veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression.

In addition to ATCOG's EEO Plan for employees, ATCOG offers the following civic rights information available to employees and also to individuals that participate in (or benefit from) ATCOG's criminal justice grant programs/activities (available on the ATCOG website www.atcog.org/atcog-home/criminal-justice):

- ATCOG's criminal justice programs do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, sex, age, genetic information, disability status, protected veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or English proficiency.
- ATCOG's EEO Complaint Process (p.8 in ATCOG EEO Plan - on website) should be used when an ATCOG employee, or an individual that participates in (or benefits from) ATCOG's criminal justice programs, files a complaint alleging discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, sex, age, genetic information, disability status, protected veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or English proficiency.
- ATCOG does not retaliate against the following individuals:
 - Persons who file discrimination complaints or lawsuits.
 - Persons who participate in discrimination proceedings as witnesses.
- ATCOG provides access to their criminal justice programs/activities to persons who have limited English proficiency (LEP) by using a language translation/interpretation service when necessary.
- ATCOG criminal justice programs comply with the Equal Treatment for Faith-Based Organizations guidelines including efforts to ensure the programs do not use direct federal funding to engage in explicitly religious activities and that the program does not discriminate against program participants and/or vendors on the basis of religion or religious beliefs, a refusal to hold a religious belief, or a refusal to participate in a religious practice.

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