

Facility Inspection Report

Blount County Correctional Facility

Date: Nov. 16, 2017	Members present:	Sharon Hannum, James Ferguson
Time: 4:00 p.m.	Members absent:	Keith Brock
	Others present:	Officer Rick Bradley

Population: total: 623 Male: 478 Female: 145 76.73% Male, 23.27% Female

Public Lobby: Excellent

Public Hallways: Clean

***Administrative Office Area:** Clean. Water has damaged some ceiling tile throughout the halls. Some have been removed but not replaced and others are stained and need to be replaced.

Note: Roof drains have been modified which has improved the water run off during hard rainstorms, however the roof still needs an evaluation for water leaks and ceiling tile need to be replaced.

Intake: The common area is in good condition. Primary bathroom is clean. Interview room, empty and clean. **Cell #1** – Cell is occupied by 2 males and is clean. Two light bulbs need to be replaced. Trash is littering the floor, commode needs to be cleaned. **Cell #2** – This cell is occupied by 1 male and is clean. There is one bulb burned out. **Cell #3** – Is occupied by 5 females and is clean. There are three lights out in this cell. **Cell #4** - This cell is occupied by 8 males and is clean except commode. **Cell #5** is the Garage/SALY Port area and is clean. 3 males were being brought in at the time of inspection. **Cell #6** – This cell was empty and clean. **Cell #7**- is reserved for inmates who clean vehicles and was occupied but appeared to be organized. **Cell #8** was empty and clean except vents had tissue paper stuck to them and need to be cleaned off. **Cell #9** – this cell is occupied by 1 male and needs trash removed and floor cleaned. Also has tissue paper stuck to ceiling vents. **Cell #10** – This cell is occupied by 1 male and was clean. Fingerprint area is clean, but several ceiling tile are water stained and need to be replaced. The shower area is in need of general cleaning. No inmate complaints were registered during this inspection. *The total number of inmates in Intake is 18 not counting the car wash inmates and those not yet booked.

Medical:

Exam #1 – Floor needs to be swept and mopped and sink needs to be scrubbed.

Exam #2 – Floor needs to be swept and mopped and the sink needs to be scrubbed.

M-1 – Medical Supply Room – Somewhat cluttered with boxes of medicine that had not yet been put away.

M-2 – Clean. *This is the low-pressure area and is not used for housing patients. It is used as the decontamination area when needed as new inmates are introduced into the Medical Department.

M-3 – Occupied by 1 male. Room was clean but extremely cold. Inmates are in need of extra blankets.

M-4 – Occupied by 2 males the commode needs to be scrubbed and sanitized. Cell is extremely cold, and inmates are in need of extra blankets for warmth.

M-5 – Empty and is clean. * The floor sealant is peeling off. This floor needs to be stripped and new epoxy applied. *Epoxy has not been delivered yet

M-6 – Occupied by 1 male and is clean. Cell needs a privacy curtain.

M-7 - Occupied by 1 male and is clean. Cell needs a privacy curtain.

M-8 – Occupied by 5 males, the floor needs to be cleaned but is otherwise in good condition.

M-9 – Occupied by 2 males and has tissue paper covering the ceiling air vents.

M-10 – Occupied by 4 males and has paper on the vents but is otherwise in good condition. *The floor is peeling (staff is waiting for delivery of epoxy so that the floor can be redone.)

***All of the food tray openings need to be cleaned.**

Shower – Wall has been bleached but the floor still needs further attention. *Mold recurs within weeks of bleaching.

M-12 – Dental Office - No procedures are being performed during this visit, but still has not been cleaned and clutter removed. Don't know if it is being used on a regular basis.

There are **16** inmates housed in medical at the time of this visit.

***No inmate complaints registered during this inspection.**

Kitchen: Clean-up was in progress. Pot wash area needs extra cleaning. There are 3 bay fryers and only one works, coffee and tea makers still need to be replaced.

Laundry: Clean- Laundry was in progress at the time of this inspection.

C-Pod: *West wall in **C-5 has very wide cracks and is separated from the ceiling.** Thermocycling continues to make this condition worsen. ***C-6 has the same type of deterioration as C-5.**

Water comes in at the foundation in C block and around windows during heavy rain events. This is an ongoing issue. *Suggest a structural evaluation.

C-1 - Clean - (Female Pod)_____	C-2 _Clean – (Female Pod)_____
C-3 – Towels on rails, otherwise clean_____	C-4_ sled beds on the floor, towels on rails_____
C-5 – Towels on rails, sled beds on floor_____	C-6 – Towels on rails,_____
C-7 - Clean – red zone needs to be painted _____	Multi-purpose Room: Needs to be vacuumed_____

Rec Yard – Graffiti on the walls written with soap

C-Pod Hallways – Trash cans full, and dinner delivery is in progress.

***Food tray openings at each pod need to be pressure washed and cleaned.**

***All cells are overcrowded**

***Red zone area in each cell needs to be repainted**

***Inmate Complaints – Not enough food.**

D-Pod: Hallways – Trash cans are full and have not yet been emptied.

D-1 – Clean, _____

D-3 – Shower needs cleaning, glass is dirty

D-5- Trash on floor,_____

D-7 (Recovery classroom) – Trash on floor

D-2- Clean _____

D-4 – Ceiling tile and 2 light bulbs need to be replaced, trash not yet removed

D-6 – floors dirty, needs shower curtain, Ceiling tile damaged and need to be replaced, floors are dirty

Multi-purpose Room – Needs to be vacuumed & Cleaned. _____

Library: Clean and organized. Could use additional shelving space. Area is being shared with building supplies. _____

Property Room – Clean and organized

NOTES:

- **Food Tray Openings at each pod need to be pressure cleaned and sanitized.**
- **All cells are crowded - have 4 or more inmates.**
- **Multiple complaints coming from D-1, D-3 and D-4. See Notes below.**

Complaints:

- Inmate James Headrick complained of the dirty shower.
- Several inmates in D4 complained that bugs and gnats have infiltrated the pod.
- John Walker reported that his sentence time has expired and he has yet to be released. He stated that he was told that his paperwork could not be located. This needs to be investigated and resolved.
- Alvin Bart Barron reported that he has been incarcerated for a month and has not been taken to court. He states that he had a paid attorney in Loudon county (Brian Nichols) who is not responding to calls he does not know what his charges are. Inmate requests to see Mack Garner for assistance with disposition and a scheduled court date.
- William Lamar Allen reported (and showed) a spider bite that appears to be infected. He reports that he has had no treatment or medicine given for it. He also reports that his blood pressure medicine is not being given nor is he allowed his cancer medications which a family member can bring him. Treatment in essence is being denied.
- Shane Garner reported that he was arrested erroneously, and the arresting Maryville Officer had testified that his arrest was in error, he was to have a no revocation hearing but that is not being honored. Holly King is his parole officer.
- Isaiah Wright complained that mail from his wife (who lives overseas) is being denied. He gets mail from elsewhere but not from her. Requests that this be rectified.

STATISTICS

State Department of Corrections (TDOC): 92

Federal Inmates: 75

Pretrial Felon: 250

Pretrial Misdemeanant: 200

Sentenced Felon: 13

Sentenced Misdemeanant: 15

Housing for other agency: 18

Repeat Offenders *No data

***On new reporting data...total numbers do not add up correctly. I.E. Number of Federal, State and local inmates do not equal the total number of inmates listed**