

Facility Inspection Report

Blount County Correctional Facility

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| Date: March 15, 2018 | Members present: | Sharon Hannum, James Ferguson |
| Time: 4:00 p.m. | Members absent: | Keith Brock |
| | Others present: | Lt. Chuck Ford |

Population: total: 630_ Male: 433 Female: 197 Male: 68.73% Female: 31.27%

Public Lobby: Excellent

Public Hallways: Clean

***Administrative Office Area:** Clean. Perpetual water leaks have damaged some ceiling tile throughout the halls. One area near the records room is now developing mold in the ceiling tile, this is causing breathing problems for some of the employees in this area. Buckets are placed in the hall to collect water on heavy rain days and becomes stagnant when left with water in them.

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.

Intake: The common area is in good condition. Primary bathroom is clean. Interview room is empty and is clean. **Shower:** Clean. **Cell #1** – Cell is occupied by 6 females and is clean. **Cell #2** – This cell is occupied by 4 females serving 48 hours and is clean. **Cell #3** – Is occupied by 10 males and is in need of cleaning. Trash has accumulated, tissue paper on air vents and the floor is dirty. **Cell #4** - This cell is occupied by 14 males and is dirty. The vents have tissue paper stuck on them, floor is not clean, toilet dirty and there are no mats for inmates. **Cell #5** is the Garage/SALY Port area and is clean. No cars are being washed at this time. **Cell #6** – This cell is occupied by 6 male and needs to be cleaned, trash removed, and floor cleaned. **Cell #7-** is reserved for inmates who clean vehicles and was occupied but appeared to be organized. **Cell #8** is empty and needs to be cleaned. **Cell #9** – this cell is occupied by 1 male and needs to be cleaned and trash removed. **Cell #10** – This cell is occupied by 1 male and has tissue paper on ceiling vents, commode dirty but otherwise in acceptable condition. **Fingerprint area** is neat but evidence of water leaks in four different locations and the floor needs to be cleaned.

*There has been a water leak in the ceiling in the hall leading to the shower area ceiling tile needs to be replaced.

*The total number of inmates in Intake is 42 not counting the car wash inmates waiting to be taken back to their cell block and one inmate just being brought in.

Medical:

Exam #1 – Clean except the sink needs to be scrubbed

Exam #2 – Clean except the sink needs to be scrubbed

M-1 – Medical Supply Room – cluttered and disorganized.

M-2 – Dirty. Trash is on the floor, floor is dirty and needs to be mopped *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.

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M-3 – Occupied by 1 male (mentally unstable). Cell is dirty and cold. There is trash on the floor and the floor needs to be cleaned. This inmate, Dereck C. Cox complained that he has been in jail without a court appearance since January.

M-4 – Occupied by 2 males and is clean.

M-5 – Occupied by 2 males and is clean but has no privacy curtain. * The floor sealant is peeling off. This floor needs to be stripped and new epoxy applied.

M-6 – Occupied by 1 female and is dirty. Trash is on the floor, floors need to be mopped and there is no privacy curtain.

M-7 - Occupied by 1 male and is clean.

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

M-9 – Occupied by 3 males has tissue paper stuck to air vents.

M-10 – Occupied by 5 females and has paper on the vents, paint almost completely worn off of the floor and trash needs to be removed.

***All of the food tray openings need to be pressure washed and sanitized.**

Shower – Clean

Halls very cluttered and hard to navigate.

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 **19** inmates housed in medical at the time of this visit.

Kitchen: Clean-up was in progress.

***There are 3 bay fryers and only one works, coffee and tea makers still need to be replaced.**

Laundry: Laundry was in progress at the time of this inspection. The water faucets on the utility sink are loose and leaking. Needs to be replaced.

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.

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| C-1 - Clean - (Female Pod) _____ | C-2 _Clean – (Female Pod)_____ |
| C-3 – <u>Towels on rails, tissue on light covers</u> | C-4_ sled beds on the floor, towels on rails_____ |
| C-5 – <u>Towels on rails, sled beds on floor</u> | <u>C-6 – Hand sinks are missing faucet handles the floor drain appears to not be draining water properly.</u> |
| C-7 – <u>Red zones need to be repainted, trash needs to be picked up.</u> | Multipurpose Room - Clean |

***In C-5 and C-6 ceiling tile are either missing, or water damaged. Mold and mildew can be found on the walls, in most cell areas. All corners, top and bottom need to be caulked.**

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C-5 shower has mold on the floor, ceiling and shower curtain. Water still seeps into cells during heavy rain events. It is not raining today.

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

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

***All cells are very overcrowded, and sleds are being utilized on the floors**

***Red zone areas in each Pod needs to be repainted**

***CRC Classroom needs sound panels on walls to reduce echoing and noise**

***Gutters need to be cleaned, cracks in the stucco walls need to be repaired, there is evidence of water damage**

***Leaking around windows, ponding/standing water along the wall at the foundation when it rains.**

D-Pod: Hallways – Trash cans are full, trash has not yet been emptied and floors dirty.

D-1 – Pod was being searched at the time of visit

D-3 – Floors dirty and trash in corners

D-5- Floors dirty, _____

D-7 (Recovery classroom) – Clean

D-2- Pod was being searched at the time of visit

D-4 – Trash on floors, damaged ceiling tile

D-6 – Trash on floor

Multipurpose Room – Clean

Library: Clean and organized. Could use additional shelving space. Area is also a storage space.

Property Room – Is clean and organized

STATISTICS

State Department of Corrections (TDOC): 105

Federal Inmates: 83

Pretrial Felon: 187

Pretrial Misdemeanant: 123

Sentenced Felon: 51

Sentenced Misdemeanant: 66

Housing for Other agency: 15

Non-Custody Bookings: 23

Repeat Offenders *No data

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