

Facility Inspection Report

Blount County Correctional Facility

Date: April 18, 2019
Time: 4:00 p.m.

Members present: Sharon Hannum, James Ferguson, Keith Brock
Members absent:
Others present: Lt. Chuck Ford

Population: total: 609 Male: 482 Female: 127 Male: 79.00% Female: 21.0%

Public Lobby: Excellent

Public Hallways: Clean

***Administrative Office Area:** Clean and orderly

Intake: The common area is in good condition. Primary bathroom is clean. Interview room is empty and clean. **Showers:** Shower curtains need to be cleaned or replaced. Soap wrappers on the floor and both stalls need to be cleaned. The commode also needs cleaning. **Cell #1** – Cell is occupied by 3 males dressed for placement in general population, needs cleaning, has trash on the floor and on the beds/benches, tissue on the air vents, commode dirty. **Cell #2** – This cell is occupied by 2 dressed females waiting for housing, cell is dirty. Trash on the floor and bed/benches. Floor needs to be swept. **Cell #3** – Is occupied by 1 undressed female, this cell has tissue on the ceiling vent, but otherwise in good condition. **Cell #4** - This cell is occupied by 4 undressed males. This cell also has trash on the floor and tissue on the air vents. **Cell #5** is the Garage/SALY Port area and is empty and clean. No cars are being washed at this time. **Cell #6** – (Drunk Tank) This cell has 5 undressed males waiting to be booked/and or classified. Inmates were in the process of eating dinner, and this cell has no noticeable issues. Styrofoam containers and cups waiting to be trashed. **Fingerprint Area** – Is clean and orderly but a few ceiling tile show evidence of previous water leaks. **Cell #7**- is reserved for female car wash crew and supplies, it is fairly organized and occupied by the carwash crew. **Cell #8** has 1 female and is in good condition. **Cell #9** – has 1 male dressed and is clean. **Cell #10** – This cell is occupied by 1 female and has tissue on the ceiling but is otherwise clean.

1. *The total number of inmates in Intake is 18 at the time of this visit.

Medical:

Exam #1 – Lots of medical equipment stored in the exam room.

Exam #2 – Counter top and sink needs to be cleaned.

M-1 – Medical Supply Room – Clean and organized.

M-2 – *This is the low-pressure area and is not used for housing patients. Floor needs to be swept/mopped but is otherwise in good condition.

M-3 – Occupied by 1 male and is clean.

M-4 – Occupied by 1 male in a wheelchair, cell is clean. Concrete floor has rough spots and needs to be repaired and painted.

M-5 – Occupied by 1 male on suicide watch and the concrete floor has some rough spots. It will need to be sanded or a grinder used to smooth out the rough places and patch with new epoxy flooring.

M-6 – Occupied by 1 female, also in a wheelchair. Cell has no noted issues.

M-7 – Occupied by 1 male on suicide watch, trash and tissue paper on the floor, primarily around the commode. Floor is dirty and needs to be mopped and sanitized. Vinyl baseboard is broken/torn off in places.

M-8 – Occupied by 5 males and is in good condition.

M-9 – Occupied by 6 males has tissue paper stuck to air vents and light covers, sink needs to be cleaned.

M-10 – Occupied by 5 females, floor needs to be repainted, light fixture covers also have tissue paper on one of them but otherwise acceptable.

M-11 – Case Management worker's office locked.

M-12 – Office for the Medical Nurse/Supervisor and Psych Nurse. Door is locked.

M-17 – Dental Office - locked.

M-18 – Laboratory trash - locked.

Shower – Soap scum on walls and mold/mildew present in the floor grout and back wall and soap wrappers is littering the floor.

Halls- *Cleaning and trash removal occurs during the night shift by pod workers. Floors need to be mopped and sanitized.

There are 20 inmates housed in medical at the time of this visit.

1 Inmate concern was registered, Casandra Buchanan reported that she is not receiving her Blood Pressure medication.

Kitchen: Clean-up is in progress. The garbage disposer (aerator) out of order at the sinks in the pot wash area. One faucet is dripping.

Laundry: Area is clean, and no laundry was being done at the time of this visit.

Property Room: Mold/Mildew noted on pipe insulation at the ceiling. Room very organized and neat.

C-Pod: *West wall in C-5 has very wide cracks and is separated from the ceiling. *C-6 has the same type of deterioration as C-5. Water comes in at the foundation in C block and around some windows during heavy rain events.

C-1 - Clean - (Female Pod) _____ C-2 _Clean – (Female Pod)_____

C-3 – Evidence of water leaks on ceiling tiles, sled C-4- Clean _____

Beds on the floor.

C-5 – Sled beds on floor, towels on rails

C-6 Towels drying on rails, mold/mildew around windows, several ceiling tiles stained.

C-7 – Trash on floor, shower needs to be

Multipurpose Room – Clean _____

Cleaned, red zone needs to be painted

***Mold/ mildew can be found on the walls, in most cell areas and around windows.**

***C-6, Water still seeps into cells during heavy rain events**

***Pod Hallways – Clean**

***Food tray openings are a continual challenge to keep clean**

***Some cells are more crowded than others, necessitating the use of sleds on the floors**

***Red zone areas in each Pod needs to be repainted when overcrowding allows.**

***CRC Classroom (off the hallway to C Pod) needs sound panels installed on walls to reduce Echoing and noise.**

Budget requests have been made for the following:

Clean Gutters, seal exterior walls, seal and caulk windows, evaluate and repair foundation water intrusion.

D-Pod: Hallways – No issues noted _____

D-1 Some ceiling tile out of place, trash on floor

D-2- Ceiling tile out of place, trash on floor @214 and 215 _____

D-3 Towels on railing, trash on the floor, shower
Dirty, an air vent appears to be rusty.

D-4 – Trash on floor, shower dirty

D-5- Ceiling tile out of place, otherwise clean

D-6 - Trash on the floor, ceiling tile water stained

D-7 (Recovery classroom) – Clean

Multipurpose Room – Needs to be vacuumed

D-11 – Recreation Yard – Some trash collected in the corners, but otherwise clean. No graffiti.

***D1 has what appears to be mold or mildew around windows.**

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

THERE ARE PLANS BEING MADE FOR EVALUATION AND COST ESTIMATES FOR WATER INTRUSION ISSUES.

Library: Clean and organized. Area is also a storage space.

Property Room – Clean and organized.

STATISTICS – Judicial Status

(TDOC) State Department of Corrections: **126** (29 Females, 71 Males)

Federal Inmates: **98** (98 Males)

Pretrial Felon: **148** (Females 28, Males 120)

Pretrial Misdemeanant: **100** (29 Females, 71 Males)

Sentenced Felon: **49** (21 Females, 28 Males)

Sentenced Misdemeanant: **79** (24 Females, 55 Males)

House Other Agency: **9** (2 Females, 7 Males)

Total: **609**

	Present	Capacity	%Full
Females:	127	64	198.44%
Males:	482	286	168.53%

Sex Offenders

Females: 3

Males: 38

Total: 41

Security Class

Minimum: 180

Medium: 327

Maximum: 53

Unclassified: 49

Repeat Offenders *No data