

Facility Inspection Report

Blount County Correctional Facility

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

Members present: Sharon Hannum, James Ferguson
Members absent: Keith Brock
Others present: Officer Rick Bradley

Population: total: 634 Male: 484 Female: 150 Male: 76% Female: 24%

Public Lobby: Excellent

Public Hallways: Clean

***Administrative Office Area:** Clean and orderly, except water stained ceiling tile in all offices

Intake: The common area is in good condition. Primary bathroom is clean except trash needs to be removed. Interview room is empty and clean. Evidence of previous water leak in the ceiling tile in hall leading to shower area. **Showers:** Showers are acceptable except the shower curtains need to be washed and floor cleaned. **Cell #1** – Cell is empty and clean. It had just been painted and sanitized. **Cell #2** – This cell is occupied by 12 dressed females waiting for housing, there were not enough mats or blankets for each inmate. The all of the floor space is used as sleeping space, also the ceiling air vent has tissue stuck to it. **Cell #3** – Is occupied by 4 undressed females waiting for bond issue, the floor and commode looked clean. One inmate, Dockery complained of being cold and had no blanket. **Cell #4** - This cell is occupied by 12 undressed (not yet in uniform) males that are being processed. This cell has some trash on the floor and tissue on the air vents. **Cell #5** is the Garage/SALY Port area has been pressure washed and is clean. No cars are being washed at this time. **Cell #6** – (Drunk Tank) This cell has 8 males occupying it and has trash on the floor. The commode also needs to be cleaned. **Fingerprint Area** – Floor is dirty, and ceiling tile show evidence of previous water leaks. **Cell #7**- is reserved for female car wash crew and supplies, it is fairly organized but could use some general housekeeping. **Cell #8** has 2 females who are waiting for paperwork to be finished as they are being released. The cell has tissue paper on the ceiling vents but is otherwise clean. **Cell #9** – Is empty, has tissue paper stuck to ceiling vents and needs to be cleaned and sanitized before placing persons in this cell. **Cell #10** – This cell is occupied by 1 male and has tissue on the ceiling vents but is otherwise clean. The Interview room was in use for processing 3 inmates but appeared to be clean.

*The total number of inmates in Intake is 39 not including the 3 being processed at the time of this visit. Dockery was the only registered inmate complaint.

Medical:

Exam #1 – Clean but has a lot of equipment and boxes stacked in it.

Exam #2 – Clean

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. Very cold in this area, this inmate has been Inmate Johnson complained that he has been in that cell without sentencing for several months. This particular cell is extremely cold.

M-4 – Occupied by 1 female and is clean except for tissue on light cover . Inmate Melissa Matsey complained of back pain without medication. Concrete floor has rough spots and needs to be repaired and painted.

M-5 – Occupied by 1 male who is also on suicide watch. The cell is clean except the floor needs to be swept and mopped. 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 2 females and has no noted issues.

M-7 – Occupied by 2 females and housekeeping is good. The vinyl baseboard is broken/torn off in places.

M-8 – Occupied by 4 males and has trash on the floor. It also needs to be mopped.

M-9 – Occupied by 6 males one of whom has fractured vertebrae in his neck. Another Inmate, Brad Hopper is in a back brace and complained that it is difficult from him to get up from his mat which is on the floor. This cell has tissue paper stuck to air vents and light covers, faucets on the sink are missing. A new sink is scheduled to be installed.

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

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

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

M-17 – Dental Office - locked.

M-18 – Laboratory – Locked

Shower – Clean

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

There are 22 inmates housed in medical at the time of this visit and inmate complaints are noted above.

Kitchen: Clean-up is in progress. The garbage disposer (aerator) out of order at the sinks in the pot wash area and one faucet is leaking on the hot water side.

Laundry: Area is clean, and laundry was in progress.

Property Room: Mold/Mildew noted on pipe insulation in 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-3 – Water stained ceiling tiles, otherwise clean

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

C-7 – Trash on floor, red zone needs painting_____

C-2 _Clean - (Female Pod)_____

C-4- Housekeeping good, shower has mold/_____
Mildew

C-6 - Mold/mildew beneath windows, kiosk is not
working

Multipurpose Room: Clean _____

Recreation Yard: _Writing on the walls again, commode has been destroyed_____

***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 and need to be pressure washed**

***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 or replace Gutters, seal exterior walls, seal and caulk windows, evaluate and repair foundation water intrusion, roof replacement.

D-Pod: Hallways – No issues noted_____

D-1: Red zones need to be painted, clean_____

D-2: housekeeping is good, ceiling tile has evidence of water leaks

D-3: Evidence of water leaks, otherwise good _

D-4: Trash on floor

D-5: Evidence of water leaks, paint red zones _____

D-6: Trash on the floor and needs mopping, shower needs to be cleaned, red zones need to be painted, ceiling tile water stained.

D-7: (Recovery classroom) – Clean_____

Multipurpose Room: Needs to be vacuumed, ceiling air vent looks rusted and ceiling tile around it has black substance of some kind

D-11: Recreation Yard – Clean_____

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

***No inmate complaints registered**

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

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

Property Room – Clean and organized.

STATISTICS – Judicial Status

(TDOC) State Department of Corrections: **153** (31 Females, 122 Males)

Federal Inmates: **104** (2 females, 102 males)

Pretrial Felon: **160** (Females 44, Males 116)

Pretrial Misdemeanant: **125** (41 Females, 84 Males)

Sentenced Felon: **11** (5 Females, 6 Males)

Sentenced Misdemeanant: **68** (26 Females, 42 Males)

House Other Agency: **13** (1 Female, 12 Males)

No Booking Type:

Total: **634**

	Present	Capacity	%Full
Females:	150	64	234.38%
Males:	484	286	169.23%

Sex Offenders

Females: 4

Males: 41

Total: 45

Security Class

Minimum: 186

Medium: 340

Maximum: 67

Unclassified: 41

Repeat Offenders *No data