



Department of
Rehabilitation & Correction

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Gary C. Mohr, Director

Director Scott Springhetti
Tri-County Regional Jail
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RE: 2016 Annual Jail Inspection

Dear Director Scott Springhetti:

In accordance with Section 5120.10 of the Ohio Revised Code and Executive Order 92-03 of the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, the Tri-County Regional Jail, a full service jail, was inspected on 10/05/2016. The inspection was restricted to assessing compliance with a group of standards, selected from the Standards for Jails in Ohio promulgated by the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction. The group of standards being inspected focused on Reception & Release, Classification, Security, Housing, Sanitation and Environmental Conditions, Communication, Visitation, Medical and Mental Health Services, Food Service, Recreation and Programming, Inmate Discipline, Administrative Segregation, Grievance, Staffing, and Staff Training. The inspection consisted of this Inspector receiving and/or reviewing requested documentation and/or materials, touring selected areas of the jail, and having discussions with various jail staff.

The total actual general housing capacity for the Tri-County Regional Jail is 209. On the date of the jail inspection, there were 146 inmates incarcerated in the Tri-County Regional Jail. The Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction recommended housing capacity for the jail is 160, which is based upon total available living space and other requirements. Officials should maintain prisoner counts within the Department's recommended capacity figure.

The Tri-County Regional Jail (Full Service Jail) is in compliance with the following standards:

5120:1-8-01 (A)(10); -01 (A)(11); -01 (A)(13); -01 (A)(14); -01 (A)(15); -01 (A)(2); -01 (A)(5); -01 (A)(6); -01 (A)(8); -02 (A); -02 (B)(3); -02 (B)(5); -02 (B)(6); -03 (A)(1); -03 (A)(3); -03 (A)(4); -03 (A)(5); -03 (A)(6); -03 (A)(7); -03 (B)(1); -03 (B)(10)(a); -03 (B)(10)(b); -03 (B)(10)(c); -03 (B)(10)(d); -03 (B)(11)(a); -03 (B)(11)(b); -03 (B)(11)(c); -03 (B)(13); -03 (B)(14); -03 (B)(3); -03 (B)(4); -03 (B)(5); -03 (B)(6); -03 (B)(7); -03 (B)(9); -04 (A)(1); -04 (A)(2a); -04 (A)(3); -04 (L); -05 (A); -05 (B); -05 (C); -05 (D); -05 (E); -05 (F); -05 (G)(3); -05 (H)(1); -05 (H)(2); -05 (H)(4); -05 (H)(5); -05 (H)(6); -05 (L); -05 (M); -05 (P); -05 (Q); -06 (A); -06 (D); -06 (F); -06 (H); -07 (B); -07 (C); -07 (F); -07 (G); -07 (J); -09 (A); -09 (AA); -09 (B); -09 (C); -09 (D); -09 (E); -09 (F); -09 (G); -09 (H); -09 (I); -09 (J); -09 (K); -09 (L); -09 (M); -09 (N); -09 (O); -09 (P); -09 (Q); -09 (R); -09 (S); -09 (T); -09 (U); -09 (V); -09 (W); -09 (X); -09 (Y); -09 (Z); -10 (A); -10 (B); -10 (C); -10 (E); -10 (F); -10 (G)(1); -10 (G)(2); -11 (C); -11 (D); -12 (A); -12 (D); -12 (E); -12 (I); -15 (A); -15 (C); -15 (F); -16 (B); -17 (A); -17 (B); -17 (C);

The Tri-County Regional Jail did not comply with the following listed standards. This letter is intended to serve as a basis for developing plans of action for bringing the facility into compliance with the deficiencies noted during the inspection.

5120:1-8-04 (A) (2) Housing Cells: (b) (Important) One hundred square feet with seven feet least dimension for double

occupancy, stacked bunks, one hundred ten square feet with nine feet least dimension for double occupancy, single bunks.

Comments: On the day of the inspection, the double and quadruple bunked cells were found to lack the required square footage. Jail officials should reduce the population to the Bureau Recommended Capacity.

5120:1-8-04 (A) (2) Housing Cells: (d) (Important) One hundred eighty square feet with nine feet least dimension for quadruple occupancy, two stacked bunks, two hundred fifteen square feet with twelve feet least dimension for quadruple occupancy, single bunks.

Comments: On the day of the inspection, the double and quadruple bunked cells were found to lack the required square footage. Jail officials should reduce the population to the Bureau Recommended Capacity.

5120:1-8-04 (I) (Important) Noise levels shall not exceed seventy decibels in daytime and forty-five decibels at night. Noise levels shall be documented using a sound level meter set to the A-scale (decibels.)

Comments: On the day of the inspection the documentation provided showed that noise levels could only be reduced to fifty-one decibels (51 db) at night in JI block. Jail officials should reduce noise levels so they do not exceed forty-five decibels (45 db) at night

5120:1-8-05 (O) (Essential) Fire drills shall be conducted every three months on each shift.

Comments: At the time of the inspection fire drills were reviewed, third shift did not complete fire drills every three months. Jail officials should conduct fire drills every three months on each shift.

Plan of action forms are enclosed. Completed form(s) and/or corrective materials addressing the noted deficiencies must be completed and submitted through the Ohio Jail Management System (OHJMS) at www.OHJMS.Intelligrants.com within 45 days of receipt of this correspondence. Please feel free to contact the Bureau if you need assistance or clarification in this effort. The Bureau remains available to discuss the aspects of this report or to provide reference materials or assistance as desired.

Sincerely,



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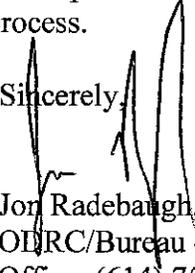
Dear Director Springhetti

The Bureau of Adult Detention has received the Plans of Action and additional corrective material you forwarded to our office in response to the annual inspection of the Tri-County Regional Jail on October 5, 2016. We appreciate your efforts in attempting to maintain compliance with the Standards for Jails in Ohio.

I have reviewed the provided materials. The documentation will increase the level of compliance for the Tri-County Regional Jail on a specific standard reviewed this year. The facility is now in compliance with Jail Standard: 5120: 1-8-05(O)(Essential). The facility remains out of compliance with Jail Standards: 5120: 1-8-04(A)(2)(b)(Important); -04(A)(2)(d)(Important); and -04(I)(Important). The Tri-County Regional Jail is now compliant with 100% of the Essential Standards and at least 90% of the Important Standards, meeting the requirements of a “**Compliant Jail**”.

Your continuing effort to maintain compliance with the Standards for Jails in Ohio is to be commended. The Bureau encourages the jail to correct the remaining deficiencies prior to the next jail inspection. Congratulations and thank you for your cooperation in the 2016 annual inspection process.

Sincerely,


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