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Sheriff Phil Stammitti
Lorain County Correctional Facility
9896 Murray Ridge Road
Elyria, OH 44035

RE: 2017 Annual Jail Inspection

Dear Sheriff Phil Stammitti:

In accordance with Section 5120.10 of the Ohio Revised Code and Executive Order 92-03 of the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, the Lorain County Correctional Facility, a full service jail, was inspected on 08/29/2017. 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 Lorain County Correctional Facility is 422. On the date of the jail inspection, there were 434 inmates incarcerated in the Lorain County Correctional Facility. The Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction recommended housing capacity for the jail is 422, which is based upon total available living space and other requirements. Officials should maintain prisoner counts within the Department's recommended capacity figure.

The Lorain County Correctional Facility (Full Service Jail) is in compliance with 113 standards, 53 "Essential", and 60 "Important".

5120:1-8-01 (A)(1); -01 (A)(12); -01 (A)(3); -01 (A)(4); -01 (A)(7); -01 (A)(9); -02 (B)(1); -02 (B)(2); -02 (B)(4); -02 (D); -03 (A)(1); -03 (A)(3); -03 (A)(4); -03 (A)(5); -03 (A)(6); -03 (A)(7); -03 (B)(10)(a); -03 (B)(10)(b); -03 (B)(10)(c); -03 (B)(10)(d); -03 (B)(11)(b); -03 (B)(11)(c); -03 (B)(12); -03 (B)(15); -03 (B)(16); -03 (B)(17); -03 (B)(2); -03 (B)(4); -03 (B)(5); -03 (B)(6); -03 (B)(7); -03 (B)(8); -03 (B)(9); -04 (C); -04 (D); -04 (E); -04 (F); -04 (H); -04 (J); -04 (K); -05 (A); -05 (B); -05 (C); -05 (E); -05 (G)(1); -05 (G)(2); -05 (H)(3); -05 (I); -05 (J); -05 (K); -05 (L); -05 (M); -05 (N); -05 (O); -05 (P); -05 (Q); -06 (B); -06 (C); -06 (F); -06 (G); -07 (A); -07 (D); -07 (E); -07 (H); -07 (I); -09 (A); -09 (B); -09 (C); -09 (D); -09 (E); -09 (F); -09 (G); -09 (H); -09 (J); -09 (K); -09 (M); -09 (N); -09 (P); -09 (Q); -09 (R); -09 (U); -09 (V); -09 (W); -09 (X); -10 (A); -10 (B); -10 (C); -10 (D); -10 (E); -10 (F); -10 (G)(1); -10 (G)(2); -11 (A); -11 (B); -11 (E); -12 (B); -12 (C); -12 (F); -12 (G); -12 (H); -15 (B); -15 (D); -15 (E); -16 (A); -17 (D); -17 (E); -17 (F); -17 (G); -18 (A); -18 (B); -18 (C); -18 (D); -18 (E);

The Lorain County Correctional Facility did not comply with 3 standards, 0 "Essential", and 3 "Important". 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) (4) Full service jails shall provide inmates with sufficient space. The jail shall maintain documentation regarding square footage and maximum occupancy figures for all housing and holding areas, and shall comply with the following minimum requirements: Dayspace: (Important) Thirty-five square feet per number of occupants occupying the dayspace at one time. Minimum size of one hundred five square feet.

Comments: The jail has exceeded the Bureau Recommended Capacity in regards to the Inmate Housing Unit Dormitories; there is not the required amount of dayspace for each inmate.

5120:1-8-04 (B) (Important)) Seating shall be provided in holding areas, holding cells, housing cells, dormitories, dayrooms and eating areas for each inmate.

Comments: The jail has exceeded the Bureau Recommended Capacity in regards to the Inmate Housing Unit Dormitories; there is not the required amount of seating for each inmate.

5120:1-8-04 (G) (Important) Shower facilities at a minimum of one operable shower for every twelve occupants. Water temperatures shall be controlled thermostatically in a range from one hundred five to one hundred twenty degrees Fahrenheit.

Comments: The jail has exceeded the Bureau Recommended Capacity in regards to the Inmate Housing Unit Dormitories; there is not the required amount of showers for each inmate.

The Lorain County Correctional Facility is in compliance with 100% of the Essential Standards and at least 90% of the Important Standards meeting the requirements of a "Compliant Jail". It should be noted however; the jail did not comply with 3 of the Important Standards upon which the facility was inspected. This letter is intended to serve as a basis for developing plans of action for bringing the facility back into compliance with the remaining deficiencies noted during the inspection.

The Bureau of Adult Detention encourages the jail to correct the remaining deficiencies noted in the inspection report prior to the next annual jail inspection. Plan of Action forms are enclosed and can be submitted through the Ohio Jail Management System (OHJMS) at www.OHJMS.Intelligrants.com. 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 and to provide reference materials or assistance as desired.

Sincerely,



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