

Canyon County Sheriff's Office – PREA Report

Report for 2016

The Canyon County Sheriff's Office makes PREA compliance a high priority and has devoted a significant amount of time and resources over the last few years to policy development, training of staff, and education of inmates on all aspects of PREA. When confronted with areas that do not meet standards or require improvements, agency leadership works immediately to implement any corrective action plans. These immediate actions reinforce the agency's commitment to ensuring the safety of inmates and staff in the Dale G. Haile Detention Center.

In accordance with PREA Standard 115.88:

§ 115.88 Data review for corrective action.

(a) The agency shall review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.87 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by:

- (1) Identifying problem areas;
- (2) Taking corrective action on an ongoing basis; and
- (3) Preparing an annual report of its findings and corrective actions for each facility, as well as the agency as a whole.

(b) Such report shall include a comparison of the current year's data and corrective actions with those from prior years and shall provide an assessment of the agency's progress in addressing sexual abuse.

(c) The agency's report shall be approved by the agency head and made readily available to the public through its website or, if it does not have one, through other means. 34

(d) The agency may redact specific material from the reports when publication would present a clear and specific threat to the safety and security of a facility, but must indicate the nature of the material redacted.

Identifying Problem Areas

In reviewing problem areas from year 2015-2016, one area which needed improvement pertained to some of the older cameras throughout the facility being outdated, and did not have the best image quality. The Canyon County Sheriff's Office has upgraded thirty one cameras from December 17, 2015 to August 5th, 2016, to high definition for better surveillance, safety, and security.

In 2016, a privacy barrier wall was installed on the upper tier level of a living unit to ensure coverage of the lower portion of the body from the chest down is not in camera / inmate view.

Taking Corrective Action on an Ongoing Basis

Privacy blocks on the camera system disallow staff members to view into the bathroom or shower areas in any living unit or holding cell, in compliance with PREA standard 115.15 (d). These privacy blocks are adjusted whenever necessary to maintain compliance.