



2024-25 GRAND JURY REPORT
EL DORADO COUNTY
FEBRUARY 11, 2025 – CASE #25-02

PLACERVILLE AND SOUTH LAKE TAHOE JAIL INSPECTIONS

2024-2025 Grand Jury results of annual inspections for the Placerville and South Lake Tahoe detention centers.

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SUMMARY

Summary

“Correctional officers are the backbone of our justice system. They protect the public and help inmates become productive citizens.”

- John Walsh

HIGHLIGHTS

The 2024-2025 Civil Grand Jury (Grand Jury) conducted its annual inspections of the El Dorado County (County) jails in South Lake Tahoe (SLT) and Placerville (PV). The inspections included physical examination of the facilities and interviews with staff and inmates.

The Grand Jury found the following:

South Lake Tahoe Jail was exceptionally clean and well-maintained. There were no issues with the physical facilities. Inspections for Fire, Mental Health Environment, Nutrition, and Corrections Standards were current within the past 2 years. No fire/emergency drills have been held since 2021.

Placerville Jail was well-maintained. The facility was graffiti-free except in pods where they write on the walls with the pencils that staff is required to provide to inmates. Everything appeared to be in working order and organized. Inspections for Fire, Mental Health, Environment, Nutrition, and Corrections Standards were current.

RECOMMENDATIONS SUMMARY

The Grand Jury Found that both detention facilities had not performed required fire safety drills in several years and should schedule them as soon as practicable.

Our full observations of the two detention facilities follows.

BACKGROUND

Background

Penal Code (PC) Section 919(b) mandates that, annually, the Grand Jury in each California county "... inquire into the condition and management of the public prisons within the county." The term "public prisons" was clarified in a California Attorney General (AG) Opinion (No. 18-103) dated March 10, 2022. The term "public prisons" in PC Section 919(b) includes "local detention facilities" that confine prisoners for more than 24 hours. Both El Dorado County jails are considered local detention facilities. The AG concluded that each Grand Jury must inquire into at least one local detention facility located within its county.

EVOLUTION OF COUNTY JAILS

County jails were originally built to serve as pretrial detention centers and to house criminals sentenced to no more than one year. According to California Penal Code Sections 4000-4030, County jails were not designed to house prisoners serving long-term sentences. In 2011, the Public Safety Realignment Act [Assembly Bill (AB) 109] reduced California's overcrowded prison system by moving lower-level offenders to County jails. Counties became responsible for incarceration and all ancillary services related to long-term incarceration.

The Grand Jury inspected both jails including:

- Intake areas
- Housing
- Holding cells
- Medical units
- Kitchens
- Indoor and outdoor recreation facilities
- Control rooms

Inmates are classified into the following categories:

- Minimum Security (workers)

BACKGROUND

- Medium Security
- Maximum security
- Administrative Separation
- Disciplinary Separation
- Civil Inmates (including those mentally incompetent to stand trial)

The classification determines which housing unit inmates are assigned along with their ability to associate with others. Inmates may be housed in isolation due to criminal charges, combativeness, gang affiliation, mental state, and other issues that could make them a danger to others. Inmates with mental health issues are not segregated unless there is a safety issue.

Each jail has a main control room where Correctional Officers (CO) monitor the entire facility including adjacent grounds 24 hours a day. Separate control rooms monitor the housing units. From the control room, officers can remotely lock/unlock individual cells and provide inmates instructions through intercom.

ORIENTATION

Both Placerville and South Lake Tahoe jails have the same rules and procedures. Rules are posted in communal areas and inmates are oriented to jail procedures. Inmates are given an 'Inmate Orientation Handbook' in either English or Spanish, covering topics including:

- Inmate rights
- Expected behavior
- Cell inspections
- Inmate classification
- Legal/standard mail
- Visitation
- Health/mental health services
- Jail schools
- Exercise and recreation

BACKGROUND

- Library
- Religious services
- Modified release programs
- Grievance procedures
- Disciplinary process
- Penalties

Inmates are assigned a computer tablet which is collected for charging at night. The tablet lets them review the rules and procedures when needed. It is also used for communicating to people outside of the jail and to watch movies for exhibiting good behavior. The jails monitor all electronic communications within 24 hours of receipt before sending them to recipients, which causes some delay. Inmates may also use phones available in the communal areas.

METHODOLOGY

Methodology

SITE VISITS

- El Dorado County Placerville Jail on October 2, 2024
- El Dorado County South Lake Tahoe Jail on October 9, 2024

DOCUMENTS REVIEWED

- Prior El Dorado County (EDC) Grand Jury Reports [Reports and Responses - El Dorado County](#)
- Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) 2023/2024 Biennial Inspection Report (Dated February 4, 2024) [Local Detention Facility Inspection Reports – BSCC 2023-2024 - Google Drive](#)
- BSCC Jails Inspection Handbook for Grand Jury [Sample Documents - Civil Grand Jurors' Association](#)
- California Grand Jury Association Detention Facility Inspection Form [Sample Documents - Civil Grand Jurors' Association](#)
- Penal Code Section 4000-4003 [Codes Display Text](#)
- Penal Code 919(b) [California Code, PEN 919.](#)
- Assembly Bill 109 [Bill Text - AB-109 Criminal justice alignment.](#)

INTERVIEWS

- El Dorado County Sheriff's Department staff
- County Correctional Officers
- Select Inmates in Placerville

DISCUSSION

Discussion

SOUTH LAKE TAHOE JAIL

The Grand Jury inspected the jail on October 9, 2024. The El Dorado County South Lake Tahoe (SLT) jail was built in 1973 and was modified in the 1980s.

ALL INSPECTIONS ARE CURRENT:

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| Fire Inspection Conducted | Yes | 07/12/2024 |
| Medical/Mental Health | Yes | 10/19/2023 |
| Environmental Health | Yes | 10/19/2023 |
| Nutritional Health | Yes | 06/25/2023 |
| Board of State and Community Corrections | Yes | 08/19/2024 |
| US Marshall | Yes | 09/27/2024 |

There were no fire/emergency drills held from 2021 to present. In the state of California, jails are required to have fire drills. The California Code of Regulations mandates the implementation of multi-hazard practice drills, including fire drills. These requirements apply to both adult and juvenile facilities. State law requires districts to implement multi-hazard practice drills (e.g., fire, lockdown, active shooter, or evacuation drills) without requiring inter-agency coordination.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The maximum capacity of the facility is 158 inmates. On the date of inspection, it housed 96 inmates, 95 males and one female. The last suicide was approximately two years ago. There have been no escapes.

STAFFING

Daily staffing includes one Commander, five Sergeants, and 27 officers on the floor. Allocated staff positions are about 50% filled. Existing staff work significant overtime to meet schedule

DISCUSSION

demands. Correctional Officers stated the primary reason for the staffing shortage is because jails in surrounding counties pay higher wages. We found as shown below that El Dorado County is between Placer and Amador County wages.

| County | Correctional Officer | Low | High |
|-----------|----------------------|----------|----------|
| El Dorado | Level 1 | \$ 28.80 | \$ 35.00 |
| | Level 2 | \$ 31.65 | \$ 38.47 |
| Placer | Level 1 | \$ 33.31 | \$ 40.51 |
| | Level 2 | \$ 36.74 | \$ 44.66 |
| Amador | Level 1 | \$ 27.56 | \$ 33.50 |
| | Level 2 | \$ 30.58 | \$ 37.17 |

Table - Review of wages in El Dorado County compared to Placer County and Amador County.

There is always a requirement for same-sex supervision of inmates. SLT has the capability of monitoring male inmates with the predominantly male staff. Jail staff stated that they do not have the appropriate number of female Correctional Officers to monitor females for 24 hours, seven days per week, frequently requiring females to be transferred to the Placerville jail.

MEDICAL CARE, HYGIENE, AND NUTRITION

All inmates are medically cleared through a preliminary screen before they are accepted into custody. Once accepted into custody, a thorough evaluation is done before they are housed. SLT has a physician on site two days per week and a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) available 20 hours per week. There is a Registered Nurse (RN) on staff daily and a Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) in the evening and night. Medications are kept in a locked space and are dispensed by the RN/LVN. Psychiatric care is available through tele-health.

Inmates needing medical care can see the appropriate medical professional the same day for an urgent problem and within three days for a chronic problem.

Meals are served in a common area and in a cell if needed. Each inmate is given 30 minutes for a meal.

DISCUSSION

Showers are available daily to each inmate.

Exercise is done outside if the weather permits. There is an indoor gym where inmates can exercise. SLT is the only California Correctional Institution with an indoor recreational area available year-round.

DISCIPLINE

Discipline is enforced as needed and is progressive. The first minor offense is a verbal warning. The second warning results in benefits being taken away and a major offense will result in a lockdown. The jail utilizes Moral Recognition Therapy (MRT) with its inmates to redirect inmates' behavior.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Although the facility is showing signs of aging, it was clean and well maintained. It was graffiti-free the day of our inspection, although pencils are available to inmates, and we understand there are times when graffiti is evident. Everything appeared to be in working order and well organized.

PLACERVILLE JAIL

The Grand Jury inspected the jail on October 2, 2024. The Placerville (PV) jail was built in 1988.

ALL INSPECTIONS ARE CURRENT:

| | | |
|--|-----|------------|
| Fire Inspection Conducted | Yes | 08/29/2024 |
| Medical/Mental Health | Yes | 07/26/2024 |
| Environmental Health | Yes | 04/16/2024 |
| Nutritional Health | Yes | 04/09/2024 |
| Board of State and Community Corrections | Yes | 8/19/2024 |
| US Marshall | Yes | 9/27/2024 |

DISCUSSION

There were no fire/emergency drills held in 2024 as of the date of our inspection.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The maximum capacity of the facility is 303 inmates. At the time of inspection, it housed 196 inmates, 157 males and 42 females.

In the past year, there were no suicides; however, there were four attempts. There have been no escapes. There was one death that occurred after the date of our inspection and is still under investigation.

STAFFING

There are a total of 85 staff positions, with 64 filled. This situation requires substantial overtime for the current staff. Again, the main reason given is lower pay than in surrounding counties. One key area with staffing challenges is in-house health and mental health services.

MEDICAL CARE, HYGIENE, AND NUTRITION

All Inmates are medically cleared before they are accepted into custody. Once they are accepted into custody a more thorough evaluation is done before they are housed. The jail has a physician on site a few days per week and a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) or a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT) present 20 hours per week. There is one Registered Nurse (RN) on staff daily and a Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) in the evening and night. Medications are kept in a locked space and are dispensed by the RN/LVN. Psychiatry care is available through tele-health.

Inmates needing medical care can see the appropriate medical professional depending on the problem within five days or more. The jail utilizes Moral Recognition Therapy (MRT) with its inmates to redirect inmates' behavior.

In 2023, six staff members were assaulted, two of which had to take time off for injuries. Staff and inmate interactions appear to be very professional. The staff is not housed with inmates as is the case with other jails.

DISCUSSION

Inmates are offered private showers daily.

Exercise is done in an outdoor area, walled-in, and with a security mesh above to prevent contraband from being thrown from the outside.

INMATE INTERVIEWS

The Grand Jury members attending this inspection interviewed a total of four inmates. One was a male inmate working in the kitchen. He stated he was happy working there and did not have any major complaints, other than wanting contact visitations. Another three male inmates were interviewed in their pod. One inmate was the most talkative and candid and said he was treated well and felt safe in the jail. All stated that they have access to services, including law library, electronic tablets, MRT, and GED-completion programs. They also stated that they understood the grievance procedures. The three inmates' only request was that they be allowed to have a ball of some sort when in the yard. Staff explained why no balls are allowed in the facility; it has to do with previous attempts by outsiders to throw balls with contraband into the yard from outside the facility. Staff also indicated that games with balls, like basketballs, caused too many recurring injuries and were thus banned. Improvised "balls" are often made with towels and/or tape.

The facility appeared clean, graffiti-free except in pods. Staff is obligated to provide inmates with pencils resulting in a small amount of easily cleaned graffiti. Everything appeared to be in working order, organized and well-maintained.

Placerville Jail appears to be a well-run facility, with dedicated and competent staff and leadership. The buildings show their age but are kept clean and in decent working conditions.

A \$25 million grant provided under California Senate Bill 844 has allocated funds for the jail's expansion. The expansion includes a separate housing unit for female inmates, a new medical wing increasing bed capacity and providing more mental health services, construction of several ADA-compliant cells, and a computer lab. There will not be an increase in the number of inmates the facility will be able to house. The site is adjacent to the current facility, and the land has been cleared. The construction project is pending various approvals.

FINDINGS

Findings

F1 – The California Code of Regulations mandates the implementation of annual multi-hazard practice drills, including fire drills. These requirements apply to both adult and juvenile facilities. State law requires districts to implement multi-hazard practice drills (e.g., fire, lockdown, active shooter, or evacuation drills) without requiring inter-agency coordination. Drills have not been completed at either jail per these requirements.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendations

R1 – Develop and implement a plan to resume annual multi-hazard practice drills, including fire drills at each jail by September 1, 2025.

REQUEST FOR RESPONSES

Request for Responses

A Civil Grand Jury report details a single investigation. Each report lists FINDINGS and RECOMMENDATIONS. The responsible organization is notified and is required to respond to the report.

The California Penal Code § 933(c) specifies response times.

PUBLIC AGENCIES. The governing body of any public agency (also referring to a department) must respond within 90 days from the release of the report to the public.

ELECTIVE OFFICERS OR AGENCY HEADS. All elected officers or heads of agencies/departments are required to respond within 60 days of the release of the report to the public.

FAILURE TO RESPOND. Failure to respond, as required to a Jury report, violates California Penal Code Section 933.05 and is subject to further action that may include additional investigation on the subject matter of the report by the Jury.

The following responses are required pursuant to Penal Code § 933 and § 933.05:

From the following government bodies:

- El Dorado County Board of Supervisors
All Findings and Recommendations

For more information refer to [How to Respond to an El Dorado County Grand Jury Report](#) available on the El Dorado County Grand Jury webpage.

APPENDIX AND RELATED INFORMATION

Appendix and Related Information

JAIL INSPECTION FORMS AND NOTES

Detention Facility Inspection Form South Lake Tahoe Jail

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| Facility Name: El Dorado County Jail South Lake Tahoe | Inspection Date: October 9, 2024 10:00 AM |
| Facility Capacity: 158 | Last Inspection Date: |
| Address: 1051 Al Tahoe Blvd, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150 | Telephone Number: 530-573-3030 FAX Number: |
| Facility Administrator: Lieutenant | Staff Interviewed: |
| Type of Facility: Jail <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lockup/Temporary Holding <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Court Holding <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Hall <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Camp <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Committee Inspection Team Members: William Blaylock, Renae Bugge, Susanne Colby, Debera Jackson, Gary Kinghorn | |
| Findings and Recommendations: | |

| AREA INSPECTED/REVIEWED (Please Check) | | |
|--|---|---|
| <u>Quality of Life</u> | <u>Programs</u> | <u>Persons Interviewed</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Physical Plan | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational | <input type="checkbox"/> Inmates1 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Meals/Nutrition | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vocational | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Facility Manager |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mental Health | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Services | • Medical |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Physical/Dental Health | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | • School Staff |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religious Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Victim/Gang Awareness | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Staff |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Visiting | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Substance Abuse | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Line Staff |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Involvement | <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Food Services Staff |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> addressed or inspected | | |

APPENDIX AND RELATED INFORMATION

LOCAL INSPECTIONS

Fire Inspection Conducted: **YES/NO – Date: 07/12/2024**
 Medical/Mental Health: **YES/NO – Date: 10/19/2023**
 Environmental Health: **YES/NO – Date: 10/19/2023**
 Nutritional Health: **YES/NO – Date: 06/25/2023**
 Corrections Standards Authority **YES/NO – Date: 08/19/2024**
 Other (US Marshall): **YES/NO – Date: 09/27/2024**

INDIVIDUAL CELLS/ROOMS

| | |
|---|--|
| Condition of walls | Walls were clean in both common areas and individual cells |
| Personal possessions allowed in cell/room (Art, Books, etc.)? | Inmates are given computer tablets by the jail to use for specific programs and communication and returned at night for recharging. |
| Graffiti present? | No graffiti was visible in the facility |
| Ample bedding? | Yes. Not all beds were being used |

CONDITION OF GROUNDS

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Lawns | N/A |
| Recreation Area | Indoor primarily. Weather is an issue |
| Blacktop | No Issues observed |
| Asphalt | No Issues observed |

EXTERIOR OF BUILDING(S)

| | |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
| General condition | No Issues observed |
| Paint | No Issues observed |
| Roof | No Issues observed |
| Drains/gutters | No Issues observed |

APPENDIX AND RELATED INFORMATION

| INTERIOR OF BUILDING(S) | |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| Walls | No Issues observed |
| Paint | No Issues observed |
| Floors | No Issues observed |
| Drains | No Issues observed |
| Plumbing fixtures working | No Issues observed |
| Air vents | No Issues observed |
| Windows | No Issues observed |
| Are cleaning fluids and chemicals labeled and safely stored? | No Issues observed |
| Weapons locker present? | Yes |
| Are the hallways clear, are doors propped open or closed? | No Issues observed |
| Holding areas (cells/rooms) – [if present], is there access to drinking water and toilet? | Yes |
| Are there individual cells/rooms, or dormitories? | There are both cells and dormitories. |
| Adequate lighting? | No Issues observed |
| Temperature? Emergency Exit Path? | No Issues observed |

| MEALS/NUTRITION | |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| The kitchen area – Is it clean? | Yes |
| Are knives and chemicals locked? | Yes |

APPENDIX AND RELATED INFORMATION

PERSONAL APPEARANCE OF INMATES

| | |
|---|--|
| Appearance of inmates (dirty, unkempt, well groomed, etc.)? | Inmates were in uniform as defined by the policies of the jail |
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GENERAL INFORMATION

| | |
|---|------------------------------------|
| What is the capacity of the facility? | 158 |
| Has the facility exceeded capacity since the last inspection? | no |
| Is the inmate classification the same as Placerville? | Yes Civil High Risk |
| Since the last inspection, indicate the following: | |
| Number of suicides | 1 age 30s |
| Number of attempted suicides | 2 |
| Number of deaths from other causes | 1 ETOH liver Died at Barton |
| Number of escapes | 0 |
| Date of last fire/emergency drill | 2021- This should be done annually |

STAFFING

| | |
|---|---|
| Are there enough staff to monitor inmates? | |
| Does staff communicate in language that an inmate can understand? | Yes. There is a translation service that they can use. English and Spanish are the predominate languages and there is staff who can speak both. |
| Diversity of staff: | Caucasian and Hispanic |
| Impression of staff/inmate interactions: | Per the Commander the interactions are good |

ORIENTATION OF INMATES

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| Are there any rules or procedures at SLT that are different than PV? | Both jails have the same rules and procedures |
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APPENDIX AND RELATED INFORMATION

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| Are rules and grievance procedures posted? | Yes |
| Are rules and grievance procedures understood by inmates? | Yes |
| Inmates interviewed? | no |

MEALS/NUTRITION

| | |
|---|--|
| Have the inmates working in the kitchen been trained? | Yes |
| Have the inmates had a medical clearance/review before assignment? | Yes Staff have a medical clearance before accepted into custody then have a more thorough evaluation before housed. |
| Are meals served in the cell, dayroom or at a central cafeteria? | Meals are served in a common area and in a cell if needed |
| Are inmates permitted to converse during meals? | Yes |
| Length of time allowed for eating. | Up to 30 minutes |

PERSONAL APPEARANCE OF INMATES

| | |
|--|---|
| Showers: | |
| Frequency: | Can be daily if they want |
| Privacy: | Private |
| Properly Maintained? | Yes |
| Supervised by staff? | Not in the shower however the shower doors show there is someone in the shower |
| Any reported assaults by inmates on inmates? | Yes |
| Condition of clothing <i>Does the clothing fit?</i> <i>Is it appropriate for the weather?</i> | Yes |

APPENDIX AND RELATED INFORMATION

| PROGRAMS | |
|---|--|
| Exercise: is it inside or out? (dayroom or outside) | Both, weather permitting. |
| How frequently is it offered? | Depends upon classification, or disciplinary restrictions. |
| How much time is each inmate offered? | 30 minutes or more. |
| Do men get more exercise time than the women? | Each get the same |
| Are there clergy available to inmates upon request? | Yes |
| Is there access to religious services? | Yes |
| Are anger management and other applicable programs available? | In Placerville |
| Are medical services available? Meds: stored and dispensed | Yes Medications are in a locked space and dispensed by the RN/LVN |
| How frequently is medical staff onsite? | Yes, A physician comes in twice per week, however, spends more time at the jail doing other medical work. There is 1 RN daily on staff, an LVN in the evening and night, and a LCSW 20 hours per week. |
| How long do inmates wait to be seen? | Can be seen same day for an urgent issue and within a few days for chronic issues |
| Is a physician available by phone or onsite? | Both |
| Are mental health services available? | Yes |
| How frequently is mental health staff onsite? | Tele psych care |
| How long do inmates wait to be seen? | It depends on the issue. Tele psych available |
| Are vocational classes available? | Yes |
| If so, what types, cooking, gardening, painting, computers, etc.? | No Culinary or gardening |
| Is there a program to involve community volunteers? | |

APPENDIX AND RELATED INFORMATION

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| Is there a work program? | Yes |
|--------------------------|-----|

DISCIPLINE OF INMATES

| | | |
|--|---|--|
| How often/levels discipline enacted? | daily | |
| What is the range of discipline options? | Verbal- warning Verbal twice inmate loses benefits Major offense can be on lockdown | |

GRIEVANCES

| | |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Can we have the report? Resolution | There were three grievances, 1 medication and 2 for meals |
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TELEPHONE

| | |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Do inmates have access to telephones? | Tablets can be used for communications |
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CORRESPONDENCE

| | |
|--|--|
| Incoming/outgoing – are inmates aware that mail can be read? | Rules are posted and inmates are oriented to jail procedures |
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VISITING

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|--|---|
| What are the provisions for special visits with attorneys/clergy? | Attorneys come to jail. There are confidential rooms where they can communicate, each in separate windowed space divided by cement walls. |
| Do all inmates have access to visiting? <i>If not give reasons:</i> | no |

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

| | |
|---|--|
| College level/high school level/other: | GED and some online education from Junior College |
| Name of school district providing educational services: | The Rising Scholars Program at Lake Tahoe Community College (LTCC) provides access to education for current and former incarcerated individuals, helping them earn degrees and certifications ¹ . |

APPENDIX AND RELATED INFORMATION

Detention Facility Inspection Form Placerville Jail

| | |
|---|---|
| Facility Name: Placerville Jail | Inspection Date: October 2, 2024 at 10:00 AM |
| Facility Capacity: | Last Inspection Date: |
| Address: 300 Forni Rd. Placerville, CA 95667 | Telephone Number: 530-621-6030 FAX Number: |
| Facility Administrator: Lieutenant Jon Eslick | Staff Interviewed: |
| Type of Facility: Jail <input type="checkbox"/> Lockup/Temporary Holding <input type="checkbox"/> Court Holding <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Hall <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Camp <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Committee Inspection Team Members: Robert Biton William Blaylock Renae Bugge Susanne Colby Curtis Darnell Debera Jackson Gary Kinghorn | |

| AREA INSPECTED/REVIEWED (Please Check) | | |
|--|--|---|
| <u>Quality of Life</u> | <u>Programs</u> | <u>Persons Interviewed</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Meals/Nutrition <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health <input type="checkbox"/> Physical/Dental Health <input type="checkbox"/> Religious Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Vocational <input type="checkbox"/> Community Services <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence <input type="checkbox"/> Victim/Gang Awareness | <input type="checkbox"/> Inmates ¹ <input type="checkbox"/> Facility Manager <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical • School Staff <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Staff |

APPENDIX AND RELATED INFORMATION

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|---|--|--|
| <input type="radio"/> Visiting | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Substance Abuse | <input type="radio"/> Line Staff |
| <input type="radio"/> Volunteer Involvement | <input type="radio"/> Other | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Food Services Staff |
| | | <input type="radio"/> Other |

1.Walk Through

LOCAL INSPECTIONS

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Fire Inspection Conducted: | YES– Date: 8/29/2024 |
| Medical/Mental Health: | YES– Date: 7/26/2024 |
| Environmental Health: | YES– Date: 4/16/2024 |
| Nutritional Health: | YES– Date: 4/9/2024 |
| Corrections Standards Authority | YES– Date: 08/19/2024 |
| US Marshall | YES– Date: 09/27/2024 |

INDIVIDUAL CELLS/ROOMS

| | |
|--|--|
| Condition of walls | Walls were intact |
| Personal possessions allowed in cell/room (Art, Books, etc.) | Each inmate has access to a tablet |
| Graffiti present | Yes, throughout the facility the walls were marked with graffiti |
| Ample bedding | Yes |

CONDITION OF GROUNDS

| | |
|-----------------|-----------|
| Recreation Area | Indoor |
| Blacktop | No issues |
| Asphalt | No issues |

EXTERIOR OF BUILDING(S)

| | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| General condition | In good condition |
| Paint | In good condition |

APPENDIX AND RELATED INFORMATION

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|----------------|-------------------|
| Roof | In good condition |
| Drains/gutters | In good condition |

INTERIOR OF BUILDING(S)

| | |
|---|--|
| Walls | intact |
| Floors | Floors maintenance needed |
| Are cleaning fluids and chemicals labeled and safely stored? | yes |
| Weapons locker present? | Yes multiple |
| Recreation/sports equipment: | No balls |
| Are the hallways clear, are doors propped open or closed? | No |
| Holding areas (cells/rooms) – [if present], is there access to drinking water and toilet? | Yes |
| Are there individual cells/rooms, or dormitories? | Yes, there are individual cells as well as a dormitory. Inmates that are in work programs are in a dormitory |
| Beds – Type of bed and is it off the floor? | Mattress on cement platform |
| Adequate lighting? | yes |
| Temperature? | No issues |

MEALS/NUTRITION

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| The kitchen area – Is it clean? | Kitchen area is clean |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|

APPENDIX AND RELATED INFORMATION

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| Are knives and chemicals locked? | Yes |
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PERSONAL APPEARANCE OF INMATES

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| Appearance of inmates (dirty, unkempt, well groomed, etc.)? | Uniformed in different color depending on the the level of the convict |
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2. Interview Questions

GENERAL INFORMATION

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| What is the capacity of the facility? | 303 |
| Has the facility exceeded capacity since the last inspection? | no |
| What is the inmate classification system? <u>Describe</u> | Minimum- inmates can be in work program Medium- general population Maximum- in one unit There is administrative separation, disciplinary separation and civil separation (incompetent to stand trial) |
| Since the last inspection, indicate the following: | |
| <i>Number of suicides</i> | 0 |
| <i>Number of attempted suicides</i> | 4 |
| <i>Number of deaths from other causes</i> | 0 |
| <i>Number of escapes</i> | 0 |
| Date of last fire/emergency drill | Not done this calendar year. Will be resuming |

STAFFING

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| Are there enough staff to monitor inmates? | No |
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APPENDIX AND RELATED INFORMATION

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| | There are 2 issues- hired way below allocation of 85. Currently 55-59. There is higher pay in other counties |
| Does staff communicate in language that an inmate can understand? | Mostly. There is a translation service for those that need it. |
| Impression of staff/inmate interactions: | Staff is professional when interacting with inmates |

ORIENTATION OF INMATES

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| Are inmates oriented to rules and procedures? | There is a rule books and programs Each inmate has a tablet that has the information Inmates are oriented on how to earn credits to watch movies etc. |
| Are rules and grievance procedures posted? | Yes, it is posted and in the rule book |
| Are rules and grievance procedures understood by inmates? | Yes |
| Inmates interviewed? | Yes |
| Number interviewed? | Four |
| Comments: | |

MEALS/NUTRITION

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| Have the inmates working in the kitchen been trained? | Yes |
| Have the inmates had a medical clearance/review before assignment? | Medical clearance is done before being brought into custody then more thoroughly before housing |

APPENDIX AND RELATED INFORMATION

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| Are meals served in the cell, dayroom or at a central cafeteria? | Both In the day room it is done by pod |
| Are inmates permitted to converse during meals? | Yes |
| Length of time allowed for eating. | 15 minutes |
| PERSONAL APPEARANCE OF INMATES | |
| Showers: | Can be done daily. Generally done every other day and are private. No supervision inside the shower |
| Any reported assaults by inmates on inmates? | The inmates fight daily |
| Condition of clothing | Clothing fits and is appropriate for the weather |

PROGRAMS

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| Exercise: is it inside or out? | Inside |
| How frequently is it offered? | Inmates who are dangerous or have an issue getting along with others are scheduled in the exercise room by themselves |
| Do men get more exercise time than the women? | Equal time |
| Are there clergy available to inmates upon request? | Yes, upon request |
| Is there access to religious services? | 8-9 different services, Catholic, Christian, Jehovah Witness, Mormon |
| Are anger management and other applicable programs available? | MRT- Moral Recognition Therapy |
| Are medical services available? | Yes, RN and LVN There is a locked pharmacy |

APPENDIX AND RELATED INFORMATION

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| How frequently is medical staff onsite? | MD onsite few days per week and available by phone -Wellpath |
| How long do inmates wait to be seen? | 5 days to weeks depending on the situation |
| Is a physician available by phone or onsite? | Yes, the MD is available by phone. There is an MD on site a few days per week. Wellpath |
| Are mental health services available? | 20 Hours per week. LCSW, LCFT |
| How frequently is mental health staff onsite? | 20 hour per week |
| How long do inmates wait to be seen? | Variable due to shortages |
| Are vocational classes available? | Yes. The inmates use tablets to take classes. |
| If so, what types, cooking, gardening, | Inmates use tablets |
| Is there a program to involve community volunteers? | |
| Is there a work program? | Programming is voluntary Self-Reliance Program Inmate worker program. Inmates earn points to reduce time from their sentence. |

DISCIPLINE OF INMATES

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| How often is discipline enacted? | Low level is enacted every day. Formal requires a hearing to deter future issue |
| What is the range of discipline options? | Cleaning duties, loss of tablets and cell isolation |

TELEPHONE

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| Access to telephones? | tablets |
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