

Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission San Mateo County, California

Adult Facility Inspection Report

Please respond to sections that apply to the facility you are inspecting.
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Facility Name: San Carlos Police Bureau

Address: 600 Elm Street, San Carlos

Contact Person: Sgt. Rick Tippins

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Date of Inspection: 9/15/14

Date of Last Inspection: 8/14/13

Commission Inspection Team: Margot Rawlins

Presiding Juvenile Court Judge: Judge Clifford Cretan

Observations, Concerns, and Recommendations

Detention Log of Minors: Yes No

Are detention logs periodically forwarded to the California Division of Juvenile Justice? Yes No

Comments: Juvenile Contact Reports are sent in every month. The secure detention log seemed to be complete. Last year Susan noted that there is no place to indicate if a cuffing rail was used. This is a state form and there is no place to indicate this. Cannot blame the bureau for that.

Fire Inspection Report: Yes No Date: February 2014

Any recommendations/concerns from last inspection? Have these been implemented?: no concerns or recommendations on the report

Health Department Report: Yes No Date: 11/11/13 – passed with no recommendations

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implemented?: Sgt. Tippins says their temporary holding cells are exempt from this type of inspection, but the next one will be in February 2016.

General Information

Number of minors held in detention during inspective review period:

Secured 1 Non-Secured 0

Are minors given an orientation prior to being detained?: Yes No Comments: _____

How often are minors in custody supervised?: continuously _____

Is there constant auditory access to staff at all times?: Yes No Comments: _____

Is there any contact with adult inmates?: Yes No Comments: _____

Are males and females kept in the same room/area? Yes No Comments: _____

Are drinks (water) and snacks available, if requested?: Yes No Comments: Water but no snacks. Youth are not in detention long enough.

Is there access to toilets and washing facilities: Yes No Comments: _____

Are there provisions available for clothing, blankets, etc.?: Yes No Comments: yes, blankets, no clothing

List the names, dates, intake and release times, and circumstances for all minors held for longer than six hours. (Attach any additional documents if necessary.): none

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Secured Detention

Are minors in secured detention informed of the following?:

The purpose/reason for being placed in secured detention: Yes No

The length of time the secure detention is expected to last: Yes No

Informed of the six-hour limit of being held in secured detention: Yes No

What is the purpose/reasons a minor would be placed in secured detention?: "So the deputy can finish whatever they have to do and not worry about the juvenile being unsecured. That could be a million different things though. Waiting for units in the field to finish something that is associated with the case. The list could go on and on." - Sgt. Tippins

Have any minors been held in secured detention for more than six hours?:

Yes No

What is the proximity of the secured detention area to adult inmates? Not close

If cuffing rail is used:

Who approves the use of a cuffing rail? (e.g. Watch Commander): interviewing officer. There are two cuffing rails, but the only one ever used is in the interview room and is used in lieu of handcuffs to make the youth feel less threatened and captive.

How constant is the supervision of the minor(s)?: constant

What time limit is used when using cuffing rails? (30min. limit): The length of the interview which would rarely be more than 15 minutes

Does the detention log note the use of cuffing rails?: Yes No

Comments

General comments or concerns that should be noted that haven't already been addressed?: The state's log form does not have a place where this info would be entered.

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Signature of Commissioner(s) preparing this report:

_____ /s/Margot Rawlins _____ Date: 9/16/14 _____

_____ Date: _____