Carroll County House of Corrections Inspection 2019

by Commissioner Amanda Bevard

The management of the CCHOC is orderly following a precise hierarchy with Superintendent Jason Henry responsible for all. Duties are delegated responsibly. I observed a respectful working relationship between the employees and management.

Security is maintained by a command post of two employees using multiple computer screens viewing inmates in all areas of the facility. Locked doors both exterior and interior prevent access to inappropriate personnel. Keys are electronically monitored. Wire and walls are used to prevent inmates escaping from outdoor areas within the facility. The day room has a correction officer present as the surveillance cameras do not cover areas under stairs. Another reason for an officer being present is both pre-trial persons (both denied bail and un bailed) and convicted persons (from CC and other jails including county and state prison) are in the day room at the same time.

The overall condition of the facility was good. Walls, floors and windows were clean. The visitors waiting room is comfortable and child friendly. The offices are neat and uncluttered although small with some carpeting issues being addressed by year’s end.

The roof in the women's area leaks. A ceiling tile was missing to facilitate drying out and access. Wires, piping etc. was visible. The showers appear dingy in all areas although clean. (A better cleaner was suggested but consumption was stated as a problem.)

Normal dust areas were clean. Ketchup was on the ceiling in the command room. The laundry and kitchen areas were clean. Food waste is stored. (A dumpster has been requested for the CCHOC.)

Respectfully submitted by

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