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Dear Sheriff Staton,

As you are aware the Oregon State Sheriff's Association (OSSA) voluntarily adopted the Oregon Jail Standards in 2000. The Oregon Jail Standards provide agencies with non-binding guidelines to improve the operation/management of their jail facility and to reinforce and enhance staff professionalism. The standards are based on legal requirements, sound corrections practice, and the application of the line and management levels in our jails – bringing all staff together in the common goal of complying with or exceeding the adopted standards.

On October 29, 2015 an inspection team from the Oregon State Sheriff's Association inspected the Multnomah County Detention Center pursuant to your participation in the Oregon Jail Standards.

The team was made up of the following individuals:

Jamie Russell: Lincoln County – Team Leader
Lee Eby: Clackamas County
Jennifer Freeman: Clackamas County
Philip Wilson: Deschutes County
Melissa Werdell: Benton County

Multnomah County Detention Center

Multnomah County Detention Center opened in 1983. The overall capacity of the detention center is 448. The overall design is direct supervision.

The staffing level consists of: 1 Facility Commander; 3 Lieutenants; 15 Sergeants; 180 Deputies; and 171 Civilian staff.

In this inspection cycle the Multnomah County Detention Center had 1263 inmate grievances, 43 suicide attempts, 1 suicide, no attempted escapes, and no escapes.

The Multnomah County Detention Center was inspected by:

- OSSA – 2012
- Health Department – 2014
- Fire Marshal – 2015
- Fire sprinkler/alarm – 2015
- Commissioners – 2015
- Grand Jury - 2014
- DOC - 2012

Rating Explanation

In examining each jail standard, the jail inspectors determined compliance and assigned one of three ratings:

Full Compliance Finding. Full compliance must be established if all of the following exist:

- A. Written policies and procedures that complies with the standard. Another type of directive or document may be appropriate and needed if policies and procedures are not specifically required; and
- B. Evidence jail staff are following policies and procedures or other standard-authorized directive. This verification can be through supporting documentation and/or visual inspection by the inspector with a note to file by the inspector that it was observed, and
- C. Documentation that the standard was reviewed for compliance as part of a self-inspection within the year between the previous formal inspection year and the current formal inspection year.

Partial Compliance Finding. Partial compliance for a standard must be established when the inspector finds that:

- A. The practice of the facility complies with the standard, but the practice is not supported through written policies and procedures (or other standard-authorized directive), or;
- B. A draft policy or temporary directive exists, and the practice in the facility is consistent with the draft policy or temporary directive; or

Non-compliance Finding. Inspectors must find a standard noncompliant when:

- A. Policies and practice related to the standard are missing, or;
- B. Policies and procedures are in place for the standard but the inspector is unable to verify the practice of the policies and procedures through documentation in the file or observation, or;
- C. Practice in the facility is different than the written policies and procedures or other directive.

Inspectors must staff a partial and non-compliance with the rest of the team for a final finding.

Section Results

Chapter A – Administration

This chapter contains 32 standards consisting of; Management, Records Management, Staff Employment, Training, and Sexual Harassment & Misconduct.

Full Compliance	31 standards
Partial Compliance	0 standards
Non-Compliance	1 standards

Chapter B – Admission & Release

The admission and release chapter contains 41 standards consisting of; Pre-admission Process, Admission Process, Ancillary Admission Functions, Inmate Release, and Transfer Between Facilities.

Full Compliance	41 standards
Partial Compliance	0 standards
Non-Compliance	0 standards

Chapter C – Inmate Management

This chapter has 53 standards and consists of; Classification, Non-Disciplinary Restrictions, Inmate rules, Inmate Discipline, and Grievances.

Full Compliance	53 standards
Partial Compliance	0 standards
Non-Compliance	0 standard

Chapter D – Inmate Communication

This chapter contains 35 standards that consists of; Mail, Visiting, and Telephone Use.

Full Compliance	35 standards
Partial Compliance	0 standards
Non-Compliance	0 standards

Chapter E – Security & Control

This chapter has 54 standards consisting of; Facility Security, Surveillance & Supervision, Contraband & Searches, Criminal Acts, Use of Force & Restraints, and Emergency Plans.

Full Compliance	53 standards
Partial Compliance	1 standards
Non-Compliance	0 standards

Chapter F – Inmate Services

This chapter has 21 standards dealing with; Legal Aid, Food Services, Commissary, and Laundry Services.

Full Compliance	21 standards
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Section Results continued

Partial Compliance 0 standards
Non-Compliance 0 standards

Chapter G – Inmate Health Care

This chapter has 19 standards consisting of; Administration of Health Care, and Health Care Delivery.

Full Compliance 19 standards
Partial Compliance 0 standards
Non-Compliance 0 standards

Chapter H – Sanitation & Maintenance

This chapter has 20 standards consisting of; Inmate Hygiene, and Facility Sanitation & Maintenance.

Full Compliance 20 standards
Partial Compliance 0 standards
Non-Compliance 0 standards

Chapter I – Inmate Programs & Activities

This chapter has 34 standards consisting of; Exercise, Leisure Activity, Educational & Rehabilitation Programs, Working Inmates, Access to Religious Services, and Volunteers & Community Resources.

Full Compliance 34 standards
Partial Compliance 0 standards
Non-Compliance 0 standards

Totals

The inspection team reviewed 309 standards.

Total number of standards found in Full Compliance	307
Total number of standards found in Partial Compliance	1
Total number of standards found in Non-Compliance	1

Appeals and Grievances

Disagreements with specific findings in this inspection report should be submitted within 30 days to the executive director of the Oregon State Sheriff’s Association (OSSA). Appeals should be clearly marked as “Appeal to inspection results “Multnomah County Detention Center Inspection 2015.” The appeal should explain fully the rationale behind the disagreement and include the referenced jail standard by number.

Grievances are complaints an agency may have regarding the conduct of any jail inspector, or the process. Our goal is to maintain the highest standards of professionalism in the inspector corps.

Grievances will be investigated and resolutions reported directly to the executive board of OSSA. Grievances should be in writing, filed within 30 days of the inspection report and directed to the executive director of OSSA.

Conclusion

You should be very happy with the overall results. It is obvious that your staff takes a lot of pride in the job they do and the service they provide to the citizens of Multnomah County. I had the privilege of inspecting this same facility in 2010. The improvements that have been made in this short 5 year time span are very noteworthy. Your team provided a very informative tour of the facility, which gave us the opportunity to ask additional questions as appropriate. Your team was professional and courteous throughout the entire process. The inmates we spoke with were also very appropriate, and very appreciative of the staff.

Congratulations to your team for a job well done!

In conjunction with the Oregon Jail Standards Inspection I also completed the Department of Corrections Inspection. I have downloaded a copy of the report into O.A.T.S. for your records and forwarded the results of the inspection to Jeremiah Stromberg representative for the Department of Corrections.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or concerns about your inspection or these reports.

Sincerely,



Lt. Jamie Russell
Oregon Jail Standards Team Leader

cc: Derrick Peterson
Sheriff Andy Long
Commander Jeanette Davidson, Klamath County