



# Texas Commission on Jail Standards

Bexar County Jail

San Antonio, Texas

January 17-19, 2018

Date(s) of Inspection

SUBJECT: INSPECTION REPORT

State Law requires periodic inspections of county jail facilities (VTCA, Local Government Code, Chapter 351, VTCA, Government Code, Chapter 511; Chapter 297.8, Texas Commission on Jail Standards).

- ☐ The facility was inspected on the date(s) indicated above, and it was determined that deficiencies exist. You are urged: (1) to give these areas of noncompliance your serious and immediate consideration; and (2) to promptly initiate and complete appropriate corrective measures. The Commission is available to discuss or assist you with the appropriate corrective measures required.

Failure to initiate and complete corrective measures following receipt of the Notice of Noncompliance may result in the issuance of a Remedial Order (Chapter 297.8, et seq.).

- ☒ This facility was inspected on the date(s) indicated above. There were no deficiencies noted and upon review of this report by the Executive Director of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards, a certificate of Compliance may be issued per the requirements of VTCA, Chapter 511 and Texas Minimum Jail Standards.

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Phillip Bosquez, TCJS Inspector

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# ANNUAL JAIL REPORT

County: Bexar

Sheriff: Javier Salazar

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Judge: Nelson Wolff

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Jail Administrator: Bobby Hogeland

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Inspector: Phillip Bosquez

Last Inspection February 13-17, 2017

Compliant Yes

Inspection Date(s) January 17-19, 2018

Remedial Order N/A

Effect: \_\_\_\_\_

## Reportable Incidents

(Previous 12 month History)

**Fires** 1  
**Deaths** 4  
**Suicides** 2

**Escapes** 1  
**Walkaway** 0  
**Secured** 1

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## Contract Inmates Housed

Karnes Co. Regional Det. Ctr. 15  
County2 \_\_\_\_\_  
County3 \_\_\_\_\_  
County4 \_\_\_\_\_  
County5 \_\_\_\_\_  
County6 \_\_\_\_\_

Date Plans Approved February 4, 2013

### 1. Facility Name Bexar County Jail

Address 200 N. Comal St. San Antonio Tx Zip Code 78207  
Phone # (210) 335-6219 Fax # (210) 335-6199  
Built 1988 Renovated 1996 Addition 1996  
Type Max Number of Variances 8

Drill Time 2min27sec

Facility Capacity 2830

Average Daily Population 2515

Housing Total this Date 2560

Holding Total this Date 54

### 2. Facility Name Bexar County Jail Annex

Address 200 N. Comal St. San Antonio Tx Zip Code 78207  
Phone # (210) 335-2666 Fax# (210) 335-2495  
Built 1993 Renovated N/A Addition 2001 & 2008  
Type Min/Med/Max Number of Variances 4

Drill Time 1min58sec

Facility Capacity 1733

Average Daily Population 1498

Housing Total this Date 1687

Holding Total this Date N/A

### 3. Facility Name Bexar County Justice Center (Court Holding)

Address 100 Dolorosa San Antonio, Tx Zip Code 78207  
Phone # (210) 335-2666 Fax # (210) 335-2677  
Built 1991 Renovated N/A Addition 2012  
Type Court Holding Number of Variances 0

Drill Time 1min47sec

Facility Capacity 289

Average Daily Population N/A

Housing Total this Date N/A

Holding Total this Date 0

<b>Housing Capacity</b> <u>4563</u>		<b>Holding Capacity</b> <u>434</u>		<b>Females</b> <u>665</u> (Female Population Today)	
<b>Cells</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Cells</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b># of Cells</b>	<b># of Bunks</b>
Sep Cells <u>11</u>	<u>11</u>	Holding Cells <u>43</u>	<u>432</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>709</u>
Single Cells <u>372</u>	<u>372</u>	Detoxification Cells <u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		
M.O. Cells <u>1037</u>	<u>2202</u>	Violent Cells <u>2</u>	<u>2</u>		
Dorms <u>40</u>	<u>1978</u>				
Neg Press Cells <u>0</u>	<u>0</u>				
Medical Cells <u>52</u>	<u>52</u>				
Notes: Negative Pressure Cells and medical Cells are in the above count Sep. Dorms area		<b>Construction Security Level</b>		<b>Contract Inmates</b>	
		Minimum Capacity <u>236</u>		100 + Capacity (30% + Non - TX)	
		Medium Capacity <u>1560</u>		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
		Maximum Capacity <u>2767</u>			

Population: **Housing** 4143

(During Inspection)

**Hold/Detox/Violent** 54

**Total System Population** 4197

Total Inspection Time 45 hours

**Total Average Daily Population** 4084.00

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Interview with Court Representative ☒ Yes ☐ No

Commissioners Court Representative

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS - INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS REVIEW

*Phillip Bosquez*  
Phillip Bosquez, TCJS Inspector

Facility Name: Bexar County Jail

Date: January 17-19, 2018

Chapter	Title	Comments
259	New Construction	Conducted a walk through inspection of the facility.
261	Existing Construction	Not applicable.
263	Life Safety	Inspected life safety equipment and conducted and observed emergency drill. Reviewed documentation. Conducted staff interviews. <b>Technical assistance provided.</b> During the fire drill testing at the annex, it was determined that personnel in the command center were not following procedures. The command center officers should relay to the floor officers the location of an activated fire alarm. During multiple tests, the command center staff failed to follow this procedure, which greatly extended the response time of officers. Further investigation showed command center personnel need training on the proper procedures. Staff also need a matrix sheet explaining the code locations that come up on active fire drills and how they correlate to the location in the building. This inspector provided some direction to staff on procedures. During the course of multiple tests, the response time for responding officers was greatly reduced. This inspector is requiring the administration to put together an identification matrix to help command center officers know where to send responding staff during a fire alarm. The administration will need to provide and document training to officers that will be working in the command center on the matrix and all fire / emergency procedures. <u>The requested follow-up documents will review by commission staff during the next 30 to 90 days for compliance.</u>
265	Admission	Reviewed a random sample of 50 inmate files. Interviewed staff. Reviewed policy.
267	Release	Reviewed a random sample of 10 inmate files. Interviewed staff.
269	Records/Procedures	Reviewed policy and documentation. Interviewed staff and reviewed ADA compliance evaluation.
271	Classification	Reviewed a random selection of 50 inmate files. Reviewed staff training records. Reviewed internal classification audits. Reviewed policy. Interviewed staff.
273	Health Services	Reviewed a random selection of 50 files. Interviewed staff and inmates. Reviewed training records. Reviewed policy.
275	Supervision	Reviewed a random selection of 250 jailer TCOLE certification records. Reviewed officer documentation. Interviewed staff.
277	Personal Hygiene	Conducted a facility walk through. Reviewed facility schedule. <b>Technical assistance provided.</b> During the walk through of the main jail, it was discovered that 4 inmates did not have a mattress as required. Floor supervisors were notified and the issue was corrected immediately. <u>Commission staff will follow-up in the next 30-90 days to ensure this issue has been fully addressed and all inmates are given a mattress when assigned to a housing unit.</u>
279	Sanitation	Conducted a facility walk through. Interviewed staff and inmates. Reviewed policy. <b>Technical assistance provided.</b> In the COU Unit, Housing Pods LA & LD had a few maintenance issues were identified with the shower areas. Due to heavy condensation, paint was hanging down along with some of the tape & float material. Slight mildew was also starting to grow in these same areas. After discussion with Senior Maintenance Supervisor Lecea, it was determined that the exhaust fan for the areas was not meeting the output needed. The maintenance department is planning to upgrade the size of fan and ducting to increase exhaust output. Also, they will cleanup the ceiling area along with repainting of the affected area. During the walk-through of the kitchen at the main jail, this inspector observed a few drain cover grates that were bent. The metal grates are in heavily trafficked areas by inmate workers and county staff. The grates are definitely trip and safety hazards that should be addressed as soon as possible. This information was addressed with jail administration so they could make arrangements with outside food provider. <u>Follow-up on the progress of projects will be reviewed by Commission staff during the next 30 to 90 days.</u>

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281	Food Service	Conducted walk through inspection in kitchen area. Interviewed staff. Reviewed documentation. <b>Technical assistance provided.</b> During the walk-through of 2nd Floor C Tower of the main jail building, an issue was identified concerning the feeding procedures. The four units in the tower all had similar complaints about denial of eating utensils. The inmates showed the inspector self-made utensils from shampoo bottles and toothpaste tubes. The inmates complained that they were not give any utensils with food trays to eat with. The floor sergeant explained that the inmates could receive eating utensils upon request. The inmates also complained about not getting the appropriate drink with food trays, example juice, lemonade drink or tea. The inspector made clear that improper deviation from the approved menu was not allowed. Also, that for proper sanitation and health practices inmates should be provided eating utensils with every tray. These issues seemed to be isolated to the Special Management Offenders in the four housing units. <u>The administration was advised that follow-up by Commission staff would occur on these issues during the next 30-90 days. If issue is still existent, a notice of non-compliance will be issued.</u>
283.1	Discipline	Reviewed 30 disciplinary hearing records. Interviewed staff and inmates. Reviewed policy. Reviewed inmate rules. <b>Technical assistance provided.</b> During review of disciplinary reports, this inspector observed that the agency is using two different forms for documenting notification of pending charges against the inmate. On one form, the inmate is not signing the form to act as a receipt of notification. The administrative captain was briefed of the issue and he had staff immediately pull all old forms for continuity of documentation. <u>This issue was addressed and corrected on-site. No follow-up action required at this time.</u>
283.3	Grievance	Reviewed 30 inmate grievance/complaints. Reviewed policy. Interviewed staff and inmates.
285	Exercise	Walk through of exercise area conducted. Reviewed documentation. Interviewed staff and inmates.
287	Education/Library	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
289	Work Assignments	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.1	Telephone	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.2	Correspondence	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.3	Commissary	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.4	Visitation	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.5	Religious Practices	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
xxx	Variances	Reviewed facility variances.
xxx	Remedial Orders	Not applicable.
xxx	Complaints	Not applicable.
xxx	CCQ	CCQ inquiries are being submitted through TLETS as required.

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