

Special Committee for JSO Facilities

Working Group Name: Adjudication, Intake, Rehabilitation

Date of Meeting:

Chair: CM Jimmy Pulso

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I. Meeting Summary

- Presentation from HDR on Franklin County Corrections Center (FCCC) in Columbus, Ohio (2,800 beds in total)
 - The build out is designed in three separate phases.
 1. Complete buildout of facility infrastructure to include intake area, administrative areas, kitchen space, and special housing areas (mental health and maximum security). This phase is 860 beds in total. Phase one is completed and is occupied.
 2. 400 additional beds, due to be completed in the 1st quarter of 2024. This phase will mainly expand on female housing areas.
 3. Will soon be in design. This phase will include an additional 1200-1800 beds mainly for male and juveniles housing areas.
 - The facility is designed for 30,000+ admissions a year and have a “one-way flow” person movement.
 - The FCCC has embedded medical, mental health, pretrial services & records staff.
 - FCC contains a pre-booking area, a Rapid Resource Center, an open waiting area, and contains an abundance of natural light.
 - Throughout the intake process the FCCC is designed to give inmates access to wall mounted phones.
 - Correctional officers at the FCCC conduct secondary searches of the inmates in the Pre-Booking Area.
 - TVs are located throughout the intake and booking areas to provide booking and orientation information.
 - Vehicle SallyPort Design Features
 - Parking for 10 patrol vehicles.
 - 2 bypass lanes.
 - Separate Intake and Release Doors.
 - High-speed bifold vehicle doors that require low maintenance.
 - Natural Light
 - Trench drain
 - Broom finish concrete for traction
 - Eyewash and shower station.

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- Pre-Booking Design Features ('Safebook' designed)
 - Stations for 12 arresting officers.
 - Pass-thru holding cells for Vehicle SallyPort.
 - Initial medical and mental health screenings.
 - DUI testing room.
 - Skylights.
 - Views from booking counter.
- Property Inventory Design Features
 - Valuables collected and sealed bags.
 - Overhead cameras to record the exchange of valuables.
 - Separate (discrete) area for women.
- Booking Platform Design Features
 - Raised platform.
 - Shared with release function.
 - Stations for booking and mental health screening.
 - Direct views of entire Intake/Release Area
 - Large comfortable workstations for staff
 - Natural light
- Opening Waiting Design Features
 - Separate seating areas for 50 men and 24 women
 - Views of landscaped courtyard and natural light
 - Access to toilets, phones, and video visitation
 - Tvs provide orientation information.
- Pre-Trial Services Office Design Features.
 - Shared office for 6 staff.
 - Interview stations for 4 arrestees.
- Identification Station Design Features.
 - 2 stations provided.
 - All electronic

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- Holding Cell Design Features
 - Single and Group Holding Cells.
 - Solid Concrete bunks.
 - Ligature resistant (no tie off points or sharp corners).
 - Side-mounted food pass and D-ring on door for securing and removing restraints.
 - Floor drains are located out front of the cell.
 - Cell windows have white horizontal and vertical stripes to eliminate cross views.
- Release Design Features.
 - Shares platform with booking.
 - Direct access to Vehicle SallyPort.
 - Holding cells (for those heading to prison).
 - Open waiting (for those being released).
- Rapid Resource Center
 - Located at the FCCC
 - Provides One-Stop Reentry and Fast-track to Treatment hub.
 - Transition Planning
 - Treatment Referral Linkage
 - Harm Reduction Education

II. Special Issues Addressed During the Meeting

- The Rapid Resource Center located at the FCCC offers those released from jail with several services and warm handoff opportunities to non-profit community organizations. In addition to the services listed below, this area can be accessed by the releasees and their families.
 - Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services
 - ID and Birth Certificate access
 - Phone Charging stations
 - Snacks
- The facility located in Nashville has a Severe Perpetuating Illness area for those with mental health issues. The facility currently has 30 beds and will soon be expanded to 60 beds.

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- Due to a recent change in state law, individuals that are ruled to be incompetent to stand trial aren't automatically transferred to a state hospital. They can now be housed in the local jail. These individuals are reevaluated every 6 months but can remain at the local jail for an indefinite period.
- In St. Johns County, there is a partnership between the Sheriff's Office and the Tax Collector's Office that allows releases to receive a state issued ID at no cost. A similar program would be beneficial for Duval County.

III. Actions for Next Meeting

- The working group would like data on suicides, inmate harm and incidents involving inmate vs. inmate and inmate vs. correctional officer in new facilities compared to older ones.
 - Is there a reduction in staff absenteeism?
 - Are there less inmate vs inmate altercations?
 - Are there less inmate vs staff altercations?
- What areas are needed by staff at the Pre-Trial Detention facility to assist with staff mental health and services?
- What kind of build-out will be needed in the new Pre-Trial Detention Facility to prevent the spread of infectious diseases?
 - HVA Systems?
 - Negative and Positive pressure areas?
 - Special Design of Pre-Booking area for rapid identification of viral infections?
- The working group would like data on the number of individuals that are arrested in Duval County that have a mental illness.
- The working group wants to obtain data on the percentage of individuals that are arrested and released from the Pre-Trial Detention Facility within the first 24 hours. Additionally, they would like to hear from other jurisdictions on how they have been able to increase this statistic. (HDR can provide some contact information)
- Can the working group obtain a better image of the floor plan of the FCCC?
- Are there national or state standards (or guidelines) that must be met that specify how large specific areas of jails must be? If so, how can the working group obtain these regulations?

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IV. Important Information to be used in Final Report

- If windows are to be used in the new Pre-Trial Detention Facility. The building and its windows would need to be rated for major hurricanes.
- Would it be beneficial to relocate and redesign the Jacksonville Re-entry center (located on superior street) into the new Pre-Trial Detention Facility? Something similar to the FCCC Rapid Resource Center.
- What facilities are needed to house those who are incompetent to stand trial but are not relocated to a state hospital?