



PREVIOUS INSPECTION _____ Location Palmdale
Sybil Brand Commission for Institutional Inspections

Courts _____ Jails _____ Sheriff Stations X

COMMISSIONER(S): Clayton-Johnson, Vera TIME 10a DATE 1/17/2023

FACILITY NAME:	Palmdale LASD Station
ADDRESS:	750 E Ave Q, / LASD SUPERVISOR CONTACTED: Palmdale, CA 93550 Jailer Shreves and Sgt Baker
Census:	(Capacity: <u>32</u>) (Current Census: (<u>10</u>))
Location(s) Inspected:	Jail Lockup
Issues Reported to:	<input type="checkbox"/> BOS <input type="checkbox"/> Officer in Charge <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LASD <input type="checkbox"/> ISD <input type="checkbox"/> OIG <input type="checkbox"/> COC

RATING: S = Satisfactory U = Unsatisfactory CA = Corrective Action Needed N/A = Not Applicable

ITEMS	RATING	COMMENTS
1. Conditions of Confinement		
Cells/Toilets/Sinks	S	
Showers (water temperature, rust, mold etc.)	S	Shower appeared clean
Crowding		
Cleanliness/Graffiti	S+	This facility was very clean
Safety, Conflict, Tension		
Common Areas		
Air Quality/Temperature	S	
Deputy/Detainee Relations (incl. specific incidents or allegations of misconduct)		
Strip Search Issues		
Access (Drinking Water)	S	
Access (Mail/Reading Materials/Law Library)	NA	
Access (Toilets (for common room))	S	
Access (Toiletries, Appropriate Combs/Brushes)		
Access (Exercise, Religious Practice)		
Access (Legal Counsel)		
Access (Visitation, correspondence)		
Solitary Confinement		
Privacy/Dignity (showers, bathrooms)		
Special needs populations (pregnant, non-ambulatory, hearing impaired, mentally ill, medical conditions, developmental disability)	S	LASD reported that anyone with most of these issues are not housed here. We did observe one individual who was allowed to keep his walker. He was very grateful.
Module Information Postings (re: time calculations, complaint procedures, messages to SBC)		
Complaint Procedures (e.g., Deputy, medical complaints – confidential procedures to SBC, OIG, COC)		
Fees Assessed/Money on Books		
Other: <u>Booking Process</u>		See below.
2. Nutrition Quality/concerns		
Access to special diets		

3. Trustees		
Quarters	S	
Training & Selection	S	Staff said this facility was especially clean because of the excellent trustees they recruit to work here.
Workload and Hours		
Calculation/Time Served		
4. Medical Services (Access, wait times, responsiveness, TB and other medical screening, dental, vision; infectious disease protocol)		See below
5. Mental Health Services (Access, wait Times, treatment options, assessment procedures)		See below
6. Telephones Access/Functionality		
7. EBI Services Availability/Type/Access Volunteer Services (Type, Access, Concerns)	NA	
8. Clean Clothing and Bedding (Including laundry practices)		
9. Facilities/Maintenance		
Back Log Unfilled Order(s)		
Kitchen/ Laundry	S	We observed the kitchen area and it was clean.
Chemical exposure (kitchen, laundry, trustee duties)		
10. Deputy Staffing		
Quality of Interactions w/Detainees	S	
Use of Force (Last 30 days)	Unk.	
Assault on Staff (Last 30 days)	Unk.	
Staff Training (MH, trauma informed etc.)		
11. Detainee Complaints/Concerns		
12. Deputy Complaints/Concerns		
13. Prior Corrective Action Resolution		
14. Detainee Documentation (e.g., intake/release, procedures: classification, logs, detainee management files, Exit interview – policies/procedure grievances, generated funds, classifications)		See below under medical
15. Discipline Proceedings		
16. Emergency Preparedness/Systems (e.g., fire extinguishers, airpack tags, emergency evacuation routes, control centers, emergency lighting fixtures, safety drills, First Aid and Suicide kits)		
17. Grounds (conditions, unlawful postings on exterior grounds (e.g., if ever been convicted cannot visit a detainee, etc.)		
18. Inspection: Special Focus OIG: _____ COC: _____ Community: _____		
19. COVID-19: _COC Request_____		
20. PREA Issues:_____		
21. Other: _____		

INSPECTION DETAILS – ANCHORED TO SUMMARY SECTIONS 1 THROUGH 17

Inspection Detail for # ¹ Booking

We learned about the booking process and the questions asked. This process is done electronically, which seemed very efficient. We were surprised at the level of information that was gathered here about a person's social background, medical issues, and veterans status. It would be helpful to understand how this information is communicated to other criminal justice actors (i.e. court, defense attorney, LASD, CHS) during the person's jail stay.

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Inspection Detail for **OIG** Request Related to: _____

Inspection Detail for **COC** Request Related to: _____

Inspection Detail for **Community Request** Related to: _____

Inspection Detail: EBI

EBI is not available here because people are only detained for a very limited time.

Inspection Detail: Medical

Jailer Shreves reported that if individuals brought into Palmdale self-report that they take any daily medications or if they are perceived by LASD as being mentally ill or with "serious" medical issues, they are not booked here. It was concerning to us that this determination was made by untrained LASD staff. Given that by LASD's own reporting that "40%" of their population has mental health issues, there is very limited screening or assessment or support for these individuals. Further, people are in cells by themselves in a state of stress and it was worrisome that people are left alone and not screened.

We were told about a program with the Lancaster/Palmdale Fire Dept called AP-11 that does allow LASD to access clinical and medical staff for newly booked individuals. LASD reported this is an excellent resource and they wished it could be expanded to be available 24/7.

Inspection Detail: Building and Maintenance

CONDITION OF GROUNDS and EXTERIOR OF BUILDING(S) (lawns, recreation area, blacktop, asphalt, other, general condition, paint, roof, drains/gutters, other)

INTERIOR OF BUILDING(S)

Walls, paint, floors, drains, plumbing fixtures working, air vents, windows:

Are cleaning fluids and chemicals labeled and safely stored?

Weapons locker present:

Recreation/sports equipment:

Are the hallways clear, are doors propped open or closed?

Holding areas (cells/rooms) – [if present], is there access to drinking water and toilet?

Condition of individual cells/rooms, or dormitories:

Beds – Type of bed and is it off the floor?

Adequate lighting:

Temperature: