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Sybil Brand Commission for Institutional Inspections

Courts _____ Jails x Sheriff Stations _____

COMMISSIONER(S):
Sherman, Veral

TIME

DATE
 3/26/2022

FACILITY NAME:	Twin Towers Correctional facility
ADDRESS:	450 Bauchet St/ LASD SUPERVISOR CONTACTED: Sgt Pico and LT Gonzalez (we tried to speak to them upon both entry and exit but they were occupied/not in their office both times)
Census:	(Capacity: _____) (Current Census: (_____))
Location(s) Inspected:	121, 241
Issues Reported to:	<input type="checkbox"/> BOS <input type="checkbox"/> Officer in Charge <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LASD <input type="checkbox"/> ISD <input checked="" 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		
Showers (water temperature, rust, mold etc.)	U	241- Showers are only provided MWF for individuals with covid positive cases.
Crowding		
Cleanliness/Graffiti	U	241- cells in this area are not cleaned. Trash was filling up in one individual's cell in 241 and it had not been removed in 3 days. A TV intended to help pass the time was not visible from his cell.
Safety, Conflict, Tension		
Common Areas		
Air Quality/Temperature		
Deputy/Detainee Relations (incl. specific incidents or allegations of misconduct)		
Strip Search Issues		
Access (Drinking Water)		
Access (Mail/Reading Materials/Law Library)		
Access (Toilets (for common room))		
Access (Toiletries, Appropriate Combs/Brushes)		
Access (Exercise, Religious Practice)		
Access (Legal Counsel)		
Access (Visitation, correspondence)		
Solitary Confinement	U	T121 has capacity for approximately 47 persons in single person cells. It was formerly used for solitary confinement disciplinary housing and has been repurposed to quarantine GP inmates for reasons such

		<p>as exposure to a PUI or transfers to state prison. On this date, out of 47 total units, only 13 units were being used to house inmates. Approximately 25 units were empty. 8 were trustees who were not under a quarantine order, this was simply where they were being housed. Only 5 people were in a quarantine. 9 units were out of service due to unmet needs for maintenance. There is no apparent signage with messaging that distinguishes quarantine from disciplinary measures.</p> <p>Individuals who were under quarantine order here were generally unhappy and confused about it. They had no symptoms of COVID. It's difficult to distinguish this form of individualized quarantine from solitary confinement. Even though inmates have access to personal possessions, they do not have access to phones. According to the C/A on duty, the T121 unit was "slow" during the Omicron wave.</p> <p>Spoke to one gentleman in "quarantine" housing. This man was on a list to transfer to another facility (he was arrested a couple of weeks ago because of an open warrant in Austin, TX; tested negative at IRC). He was initially sent to a dorm at NCCF (518). A different inmate there discovered he was positive so that entire dorm went into quarantine lockdown. Because this individual was to be transferred, LASD brought him down to T121 to quarantine there instead. He has no symptoms and has not been tested again. He did not understand why he was moved into this isolation cell.</p>
Privacy/Dignity (showers, bathrooms)		
Special needs populations (pregnant, non-ambulatory, hearing impaired, mentally ill, medical conditions, developmental disability)		
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: _____		
2. Nutrition Quality/concerns		
Access to special diets		

3. Trustees		
Quarters		
Training & Selection		
Workload and Hours		
Calculation/Time Served		
4. Medical Services (Access, wait times, responsiveness, TB and other medical screening, dental, vision; infectious disease protocol)		
5. Mental Health Services (Access, wait Times, treatment options, assessment procedures)		
6. Telephones Access/Functionality	U	241- Individuals in isolation are not provided means to make physical separation from others bearable, such as enhanced communication with loved ones. In this quarantine / medical isolation unit, individuals do not get access to the phones on most days. Phones are only made available to them every other day, on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. One inmate says he begs for hours to have access to the phone.
7. EBI Services Availability/Type/Access Volunteer Services (Type, Access, Concerns)		
8. Clean Clothing and Bedding (Including laundry practices)		
9. Facilities/Maintenance		
Back Log Unfilled Order(s)		
Kitchen/ Laundry		
Chemical exposure (kitchen, laundry, trustee duties)		
10. Deputy Staffing		
Quality of Interactions w/Detainees		
Use of Force (Last 30 days)		
Assault on Staff (Last 30 days)		
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)		
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_____		<p>T241 contains a covid ward used for people who test positive for covid. C,D,E are used for asymptomatic cases; A,B are used for PUI. Despite being a covid ward, guards did not wear their masks that covered their noses.</p> <p>Several individuals are housed with another person. One inmate said he was asymptomatic and wanted to be re-tested because he believes his test was a false positive, but he was not given the opportunity to be re-tested. Even though he was asymptomatic, he was being housed with a person who was symptomatic.</p>
20. PREA Issues: _____		
21. Other: _____		<p>Guards used the large screen computer monitors to display YouTube videos depicting violence, mixed martial arts, and physical combat. The videos were displayed large enough to be viewable by inmates.</p>

Inspection Detail: EBI

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