



PREVIOUS INSPECTION 6/16/22 Location IRC – same areas
Sybil Brand Commission for Institutional Inspections

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COMMISSIONER(S): Regalado, Veral TIME 11a-1:15p DATE 9/1/2022

FACILITY NAME:	IRC
ADDRESS:	450 Bauchet St Los Angeles, CA 90012/ LASD SUPERVISOR
	CONTACTED: Sgt Feroli & Escort Deputy Gama
Census:	(Capacity: _____) (Current Census: (<u>289 in the clinic</u>)
Location(s) Inspected:	Booking, classification, medical clinic, 231, custody line, release area
Issues Reported to:	<input type="checkbox"/> BOS <input type="checkbox"/> Officer in Charge <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> xLASD <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	U	The conditions in the IRC continue to be very bad. See below for more info.
Cells/Toilets/Sinks		
Showers (water temperature, rust, mold etc.)		People have no access to showers when they are processing through the IRC
Crowding		Continues to be exceptionally overcrowded. See below for more details.
Cleanliness/Graffiti	U	Clinic had trash all over, used food cartons and plastic bags were in nearly every area we inspected.
Safety, Conflict, Tension		
Common Areas		People were sleeping on the floor in the hallways and in the clinic
Air Quality/Temperature		
Deputy/Detainee Relations (incl. specific incidents or allegations of misconduct)		Unable to assess
Strip Search Issues		
Access (Drinking Water)	U	Two people asked us for help getting water. When we asked, a deputy said they can get water from the fountain near the toilet.
Access (Mail/Reading Materials/Law Library)		People in IRC do not receive mail. This is a concern given how long some people stay there.
Access (Toilets (for common room))		
Access (Toiletries, Appropriate Combs/Brushes)	U	Toiletries/Toothbrushes etc are not provided for people in the IRC. This is very unsatisfactory given how long people languish there.
Access (Exercise, Religious Practice)		Unable to assess as people in the IRC do not have access to these
Access (Legal Counsel)	U	Several people said they had missed court dates or wanted to talk to their defense attorney/public defender but were not able to access a telephone or letter writing materials.
Access (Visitation, correspondence)		This is unavailable to people in the IRC, including people who are in the 231 modules.
Solitary Confinement		
Privacy/Dignity (showers, bathrooms)		People have to use the toilet in open spaces and there is no privacy but for a short wall. There appeared to be two for nearly 200 people. There are limited toilets for large numbers of people. People are forced to sleep on the floor and they do not have access to toothbrushes (at least two people asked for them).

Special needs populations (pregnant, non-ambulatory, hearing impaired, mentally ill, medical conditions, developmental disability)	U	People with severe mental illness were handcuffed to benches in the medical clinic and throughout booking front and in the classification area. One man was standing completely naked in the middle of the classification area. Other severely ill people were walking around the clinic, several were yelling out obscenities.
Module Information Postings (re: time calculations, complaint procedures, messages to SBC)		
Complaint Procedures (e.g., Deputy, medical complaints – confidential procedures to SBC, OIG, COC)		Unable to access. It was not clear that people here have access to the complaint process. Given that their basic needs of sleep and food are being sparsely provided they are not able to focus on this issue here.
Fees Assessed/Money on Books		
Other: _____		
2. Nutrition Quality/concerns	U	<p>It does not appear as though people receive any kind of regular meals while processing into housing. Several people told us they were hungry and asked for help getting sandwiches. A couple of individuals in a special population cell said they were allergic to peanut butter and were only provided peanut butter and jelly sandwiches.</p> <p>Given how long it takes to get to regular housing, the poor access to nutrition is concerning.</p>
Access to special diets		

INSPECTION DETAILS – ANCHORED TO SUMMARY SECTIONS 1 THROUGH 17

Inspection Detail for # 1

The IRC continues to be very overcrowded, and people are living in deeply problematic conditions. SBC was there during an evening on June 16th (see previous inspection report) and things today - mid-day on a Thursday - continue to be as bad, if not worse. We saw 20+ people sleeping on the floor throughout the clinic, very mentally ill individuals who had not yet received their mental health assessment were walking throughout the clinic and screaming out. Many people reported to us that they had been there for days and begged us to help them. Most of these people are going without psych meds and other medications, all are going without toothbrushes and hot meals, and some were detoxing off drugs or alcohol. There were people handcuffed to benches throughout 'booking front' and we witnessed a mentally ill man who was completely naked standing in the middle of the classification area awaiting his mental health assessment. We also reviewed the computer and saw many people who had been in the clinic and assigned housing but were just waiting to be moved.

As of this report, we have not received a response as to what LASD and CHS are doing to increase the availability of mental health housing and care, for all levels (HOH, MOH, etc). It has been two months since we were last there and it did not appear as though conditions have improved and in fact were worse.

SBC notified LASD command staff of these issues via email on 9/1 and as of noon on 9/7 have yet to receive a response.

Inspection Detail for # _____

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

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

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Inspection Detail: EBI

Categories to be defined

Inspection Detail: Medical

Categories to be defined

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: