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Respondent

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Anonymous

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Inspection Information

1. Location *

Twin Towers

2. Date of Previous Inspection *

9/17/2024



3. Date of this Inspection *

11/14/2024



4. Time *

3PM-5:30 PM

5. Location

Courts

Jails

Sheriff Station

Location



6. Commissioner(s) - (Select all that Apply) *

- Ingrid Archie
- Puja Bhatia
- Haley Broder
- Norma Cumpian
- Wynter Daggs
- Mark - Anthony Clayton Johnson
- Bob Frutos
- Dr. Cheryl N. Grills
- Katherine Hennigan Ohanesian
- Eric J. Miller
- Raymond Regalado
- Alexander Sherman
- Joahanna Terrones
- Mary Veral
- Other

Facility Information

7. Facility Name *

Courthouse names and locations: <https://www.lacourt.org/courthouse>

Patrol Names and locations Stations: <https://lasd.org/stations/>

LA County Jail Facilities names and locations: <https://lasd.org/custody/>

Twin Towers Correctional Facility

8. Facility Address *

Courthouse names and Locations: <https://www.lacourt.org/courthouse>

Patrol Names and Station Locations: <https://lasd.org/stations/>

LA County Jail Facilities Names and Locations: <https://lasd.org/custody/>

450 Bauchet Street,
Los Angeles CA90012

9. Name and Title of LASD Supervisor Contacted *

Alex Farfan, Acting Watch Srgt and Watch Captain: Lt Rizzio

10. Census: Capacity *

unknown

11. Current Census *

2481

12. Location(s) Inspected: *

242 and 271

13. Issues reported to (Select all that Apply): *

- BOS
- Officer in Charge
- LASD
- ISD
- OIG
- COC
- Other

14. Name of the person(s) issues were reported to: *

Lt Rizzio

15. Contact Information of the person(s) contacted: *

fnrizzio@lasd.org

Conditions of Confinement

16. **Condition of Confinement:** Cells/Toilets/Sinks

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

17. **Condition of Confinement COMMENTS RE:** Cells/Toilets/Sinks

242 D15: Flooded
Issue of cold in 242 -- blocked air vents in most cells and then an open vent, all the air rushes into one cell.
242 A5: No hot water
242 F13: cold water not working

18. **Condition of Confinement:** Showers (water temperature, rust, mold etc.)

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

19. **Conditions of Confinement COMMENT RE:** Showers (water temperature, rust, mold etc.)

272 showers: mold, rust, black worms reported

20. **Condition of Confinement:** Crowding

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

Nutrition

21. **Nutrition:** Quality/Concerns

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

22. **Nutrition COMMENT RE:** Quality/Concerns

Many complaints of hunger, not getting enough food, not getting proper meals.
"If we do not have commissary, we do not get enough food to eat per day."
"Food is not fully cooked soymeat, veggies come still frozen"

23. **Nutrition:** Access to special diets

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

Trustees

24. **Trustees:** Quarters

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

Medical Services

25. **Medical Services**

	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Corrective Action Needed	Not Applicable
Access	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Wait Times	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Responsiveness	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
TB and Other Medical Screening	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dental	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Vision	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Infectious Disease Protocol	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

26. **COMMENTS RE:** Medical

Multiple requests in 242 for psych to come and re-screen

Mental Health

27. Mental Health Services

	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Corrective Action Needed	Not Applicable
Access	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Wait Times	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Treatment Options	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Assessment Procedures	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

28. COMMENTS RE: Mental Health

Telephones

29. Telephones

	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Corrective Action Needed	Not Applicable
Access	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Functionality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

30. COMMENTS RE: Telephones

Education Based Incarceration Programming (EBI)

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	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Corrective Action Needed	Not Applicable
Availability	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Type	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

32. **COMMENTS RE:** EBI Programming

Programming for 272 was reported good, teachers reported to be respectful. With non-English speakers, other inmates are used as translators if possible.

33. **EBI:** Volunteer Services

	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Corrective Action Needed	Not Applicable
Type	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Concerns	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

34. **COMMENTS RE EBI:** Volunteer Services

Clean Clothing and Bedding

35. **Clean Clothing and Bedding** (including laundry practices)

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

Facilities/Maintenance

36. **Facilities/Maintenance:** Back Log Unfilled Order(s)

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

Deputy Staffing

37. **Deputy Staffing:** Quality of Interactions w/Detainees

	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Corrective Action Needed	Not Applicable
Use of Force (Last 30 days)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Assault on Staff (Last 30 days)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Staff Training (MH, trauma informed etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

38. **Deputy Staffing COMMENTS RE:** Quality of Interactions w/Detainees

39. **Detainee Complaints/Concerns COMMENTS:**

There was a complaint from 271 about retaliation:
"Deputies yell and curse at us, call us stupid and dumb. If we file grievances, they retaliate. I've been sent to the naked rooms where they just make fun of us."
"A deputy told me (a Black man) that I can't be a trustee because I'm not from here, I'm from the East coast."

40. **Deputy Complaint/Concerns COMMENTS:**

41. **Prior Corrective Action Resolution:**

42. **Detainee Documentations** (e.g., intake/release, procedures):

	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Corrective Action Needed	Not Applicable
Classification	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Logs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Detainee management	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Exit interview - policies/proced ure grievances	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Generated funds	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

43. **Detainee Documentation COMMENTS:**

44. Discipline Proceedings:

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

Inspection: Special Focus

45. Inspection: Special Focus

	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Corrective Action Needed	Not Available
COC	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
CHS	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
DMH	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
DPH	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Food Services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
OIG	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

46. Inspection: Special Focus Request (Select all that Apply):

- COC
- Community
- CHS
- DMH
- DPH
- Facilities
- Food Services
- OIG
- N/A
- Other

47. Inspection: Special Focus Request Comments:

48. **Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Issues:**

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

INSPECTION DETAILS - ANCHORED TO SUMMARIZE #3 THROUGH #106

49. Inspection Detail for #:

Sergeant A Farfan (afarfan@lasd.org) was the watch sergeant when we arrived. There was a use of force going on in 242. Sergeant had on Fox News.

242

One man had just returned from court and was waiting to be cleared to go to the community. He also did not receive his inhaler. Inmate had just returned from court, was very stressed out and did not have food. He couldn't eat at court because he was stressed about his case - he had returned without a sandwich or anything to eat. We waited until the guards gave him a sandwich.

Deputy Fernandez was very helpful. Other staff were not. They were exceptionally skeptical and contrarian about issues we raised.

50. Inspection Detail for #:

271 B EBI/MOH

Module B - the TV cable didn't work. The water was very hot, over 100 degrees. One gentleman in that dorm came from the state prison as EOP mental health, and it took them 10 months in the county to get him his meds even though he had been on them for years in prison.

What policies does LASD/CHShave communicate when people transfer intra-custody for hearings? (Esp with CDCR on resentencing).

Veterans dorm was in 271F. There was a poster advertising that people could inquire about getting into the veteran dorm on the wall of the actual dorm. The info was vetnotifications@LASD.org or 213-893-6792. The veteran's dorm 271F was full - 30 people. One gentleman I spoke to said he arrived at the LA Jails in January, and it took until mid-July for him to be transferred there. He said he is much more stable there now. They have groups, CBT, positive thinking, and life skills. Do they have the ability to expand? Is there a waiting list?

Big picture issue. Is there a way for the people who get released from court to be screened at the court for mental acuity or mental health issues rather than having to get sight clearance at the jail? It appears that people are being forced to spend a day or two extra in custody to have that evaluation, and they generally are acceptable.

51. Inspection Detail for #:

Note from 242: the papers that are attached outside cell doors are often inaccurate. One said that an individual was able to have his retainer on his property, but when we asked for him, we were told that his note was inaccurate because he was on suicide watch. Other notes also had inaccuracies.

Note from 271: There is one person who speaks a language that no other inmate in 271 speaks and there has as of yet not been translation services provided for him. Deputies told us because all access to internet is cut off for them, they cannot google or google translate anything to him either. This individual was requesting medical help.

271 EBI: There are no Spanish books available, except for the Bible. There is a request for a diversity of books.

The Tower 2 visiting elevator is broken. Therefore, video visits are ONLY option. This elevator needs to be fully replaced, which is not set to take place until March. Broken elevators stop visits, particularly difficult for those who cannot use the video technology.

52. Inspection Detail for **OIG** Request Related to:

53. Inspection Detail for **COC** Request Related to:

54. Inspection Detail for **Community Request** Related to:

55. **Inspection Detail:** EBI

56. **Inspection Detail:** Medical

57. **Inspection Detail:** Medical

58. **Inspection Detail:** Building and Maintenance *(Select all that apply)*

- Lawns
- Recreation Area
- Blacktop
- Asphalt
- General Condition
- Paint
- Roof
- Drains/Gutters
- Not Applicable
- Other

59. Inspection Detail: Building and Maintenance

60. **Inspection Detail:** Interior of Building(s) and Maintenance *(Select all that apply)*

- Walls
- Paint
- Floors
- Drains
- Plumbing fixtures working
- Air Vents
- Windows
- Not Applicable
- Other

61. Inspection Detail **Interior of Building:**

62. Are Cleaning fluids and chemicals labeled and safely stored?

- Yes
- No
- Not Applicable
- Other

63. Weapons locker present?

- Yes
- No
- Not Applicable
- Other

64. Recreation/Sports Equipment:

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

- Yes
- No
- Not Applicable
- Other

66. Holding areas (cells/rooms), is there access to drinking water and toilet?

- Yes
- No
- Not Applicable
- Other

67. Condition of individual cells/rooms, or dormitories:

68. Beds - Type of bed and is it off the floor?

69. Adequate lighting:

70. Temperature:

71. Narrative Report

72. Narrative Continued

73. Narrative Continued

74. Narrative Continued

75. Narrative Continued

76. Narrative Continued

77. Overall, how would you rate this facility? *

Satisfactory

Unsatisfactory