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30 Anonymous

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## Inspection Information

### 1. Location Type and Location \*

- Courts
- Jails
- Sheriff Station

### 2. LA County Jail \*

- Inmate Reception Center (IRC), 450 Bauchet St. Los Angeles, CA. 90012
- Century Regional Detention Facility (CRDF), 11705 S. Alameda St., Lynwood CA. 90262
- Los Angeles General Medical Center (LAGMC), 2051 Marengo Street, Los Angeles, CA. 90033
- Men's Central Jail (MCJ), 441 Bauchet Street, Los Angeles, CA. 90012
- Pitchess Detention Center (PDC) - North, 29320 The Old Road, Castaic, California 91384
- Pitchess Detention Center (PDC) -South, 29330 The Old Road, Castaic, California 91384
- North County Correctional Facility (NCCF), 29340 The Old Road,, Castaic, CA. 91384
- Twin Towers Correctional Facility (TTCF), 450 Bauchet St. Los Angeles, CA. 90012

### 3. Date of this Inspection \*

5/26/2026



### 4. Time of Inspection \*

7:15pm

### 5. Facility Count \*

154

6. Module(s) inspected: \*

reception/intake areas

7. Total (all modules) current & maximum count \*

Be specific, include Module(s) name(s)

current-154

8. Name of Watch Commander on Duty \*

Lt. Demel

9. Email Address of Watch Commander on Duty \*

jddemel@lasd.org

10. Phone Number of Watch Commander on Duty \*

(213) 893-5875

11. Inspection Report Out to Watch Commander on Duty \*

- Yes - verbal
- Yes - email
- Yes - verbal and email
- No Inspection Report Out was given to the Watch Commander on Duty

12. Name of Commissioner(s) who conducted the inspection \*

- Puja Bhatia
- Haley Broder
- Norma Cumpian
- Wynter Daggs
- Eric J. Miller
- Katherine Hennigan Ohanesian
- Raymond Regalado
- Joahanna Terrones
- Mary Veral
- Pamela Thompson - Bell
- Yana Grammer
- Other

13. Other stakeholders' observations were 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 Demel

## Conditions of Confinement

15. **Cells/Toilets/Sinks** \*

- Cells
- Toilets
- Sinks
- Other

16. Cells/Toilets/Sinks Overall Rating \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

17. **COMMENTS RE:** Cells/Toilets/Sinks

See narrative

18. **Shower Conditions** \*

- Water Quality
- Water temperature
- Rust
- Mold
- Other

19. Showers Conditions Overall Rating (water temperature, rust, mold etc.) \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

20. **COMMENT RE:** Showers (water temperature, rust, mold etc.)

21. **Crowding Overall Rating \***

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

22. **COMMENT RE:** Crowding

23. **Cleanliness/Graffiti Overall Rating \***

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

24. **COMMENT RE:** Cleanliness/Graffiti

25. **Safety, Conflict, Tension Overall Condition \***

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

26. **Common Areas Overall Rating \***

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

27. **COMMENT RE:** Common Areas

28. **Air Quality/Temperature Overall Conditions** \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

29. **COMMENT RE:** Air Quality/Temperature

See narrative

30. **Deputy/Detainee Relations** (Including Specific Incidents or allegations of misconduct) \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

31. **Strip Search Issues** \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

32. **Drinking Water Overall Rating** \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

33. **COMMENT RE:** Access (Drinking Water)

See narrative

34. **Access to Mail, Reading Materials, Law Library \***

- Mail
- Reading Materials
- Law Library
- Other

35. Access (Mail/Reading Materials/Law Library) Overall Conditions \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

36. **Access to Toilets in Common Room \***

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

37. **COMMENT RE:** Access to Toilets in Common Room

38. **Access to Toiletries, Appropriate Combs/Brushes, FISH Kits \***

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

39. **Access to Exercise Religious Practices \***

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

40. **Access to Legal Counsel** \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

41. **Access to Visitation and Correspondence** \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

42. **Solitary Confinement** \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

43. **Privacy/Dignity (showers, bathrooms)** \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

44. **Special needs populations (pregnant, non-ambulatory, hearing impaired, mentally ill, medical conditions, developmental disability)** \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

45. **Module Information Postings** (re: time calculations, complaint, developmental disability) \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

46. **Complaint Procedure** (e.g., Deputy, Medical Complaints - Confidential Procedures to SBC, OIG, COC) \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

47. **Fees Assessed/ Money on Books** \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

48. **COMMENT RE:** Fees Assessed/ Money on Books

49. **Other Conditions of Confinement Issues or Concerns?** \*

- Yes
- No

50. **COMMENT RE:** Other Conditions of Confinement Issue and or Concern?

51. **Other Condition of Confinement Overall Rating** \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

## Nutrition

### 52. Quality/Concerns

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

### 53. Access to special diets

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

## Trustees

### 54. Quarters

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

### 55. Training and Selection

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

56. Workload and Hours

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

57. Calculation of Time Served

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

## Medical Services

58. **Medical Services**

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

59. **Medical Request Forms Available \***

- Yes
- No

60. **COMMENTS RE:** Medical

See narrative

61. **Menstrual Products \***

- AVAILABLE
- NOT Available
- Had to be requested
- Located in a central location

62. **COMMENTS RE:** Menstrual Cycle Products

## Mental Health

63. **Mental Health Services**

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

64. **COMMENTS RE:** Mental Health

## PREA and NARCAN

65. **Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Issues: \***

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

66. **Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) COMMENTS:**

67. **NARCAN** \*

- Available
- Accessible
- Near Reach and no Obstacles
- Not Applicable
- Other

68. NARCAN Overall Rating \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

69. PREA and NARCAN Comments:

See narrative

## Phones

70. Phone Overall Rating \*

- Satisfactory (Accessible and Available)
- Unsatisfactory (Available, but not Accessible)
- Corrective Action Needed (Not Functioning or Not Functioning Properly, etc.)
- Not Applicable

## Education Based Incarceration Programming (EBI)

71. **Education Based Incarceration Programming (EBI)**

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

72. **EBI:** Volunteer Services

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

73. **COMMENTS RE:** EBI

## Clean Clothing and Bedding

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

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

## Facilities/Maintenance

75. **Facility/Maintenance:** Back Log Unfilled Order(s)

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

76. Kitchen/Laundry

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

77. Chemical Exposure (kitchen, laundry, trustee duties)

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

## Deputy Staffing

78. **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 checked="" type="radio"/>
Assault on Staff (Last 30 days)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Staff Training (MH, trauma informed etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

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

See narrative

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

81. **Prior Corrective Action Resolution:**

82. Grievance Form Availability Overall Rating \*

- Satisfactory (Available and being addressed timely)
- Unsatisfactory (Available but being ignored)
- Corrective Action Needed (Not Available, and no Where to be found, etc.)
- Not Applicable

**Title 15 Safety Checks:** Witnessed safety checks and/or checked safety check logs, etc.

### 83. Title 15 Safety Checks

- Witnessed Safety Checks
- Checked Safety Logs
- Safety Checks Conducted Thoroughly
- Not Applicable
- Other

### 84. Title 15 Safety Checks Overall Rating \*

- Satisfactory
- Unsatisfactory
- Corrective Action Needed
- Not Applicable

### 85. Title 15 Safety Check Comments:

## Inspection Special Focus

### 86. 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"/>

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

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

88. Inspection: Special Focus Request Comments:

## Physical Structure of Facility

89. Physical Structure

- Walls
- Paint
- Floors
- Drains
- Plumbing
- Fixtures
- Air Vents
- Windows
- Other

90. Physical Structure Comment(s)

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

- Yes
- No
- Not Applicable
- Other

92. Weapons locker present?

- Yes
- No
- Not Applicable
- Other

93. Recreation/Sports Equipment:

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

- Yes
- No
- Not Applicable
- Other

95. **Grounds:**

	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Corrective Action Needed	Not Applicable
Conditions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Unlawful postings on exterior grounds (e.g., if ever been convicted cannot visit a detainee, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

96. **Grounds COMMENTS:**

97. **Emergency Preparedness/Systems:**

	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Corrective Action Needed	Not Applicable
Fire Extinguishers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Airpack Tags	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Emergency Evacuation Routes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Control Centers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Emergency Lighting Fixtures	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Safety Drills	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
First Aid and Suicide Kits	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

98. **Emergency Preparedness/Systems COMMENTS:**

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

- Yes
- No
- Not Applicable
- Other

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

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

102. Adequate lighting:

103. Temperature:

## 104. Narrative Report

Commissioners conducted an inspection of the Inmate Reception Center (IRC) at Men's Central Jail to observe intake operations, incarcerated individual conditions, staff conduct, medical and mental health procedures, and overall facility conditions.

### Entry and Access

Upon arrival, Control staff were unable to immediately verify commissioners' authorization/credentials, resulting in an approximate 10-minute delay before entry was granted.

After entering the reception area, commissioners observed a deputy assigned to the control room watching the television program Rick and Morty. As commissioners continued through the facility, deputies near Room 246 were observed watching a movie and engaging in conversation.

Commissioners spoke with Watch Commander Demell regarding facility operations and current population status. Watch Commander Demell advised there was no maximum count established for the IRC; however, the current count at the time of inspection was approximately 154 individuals, not including court return populations.

The Watch Commander also provided updates regarding an incarcerated individual who reportedly escaped from a transportation bus upon return from court on May 26, 2026, but was subsequently apprehended and returned to custody.

Commissioners were informed that Cell 205 was considered inoperable; however, during the inspection all observed cells and operational areas appeared functional and occupied as needed.

### Intake and Reception Operations

Commissioners proceeded into the reception/intake areas and spoke directly with several incarcerated individuals awaiting processing and housing assignment.

Multiple individuals reported they had been seated for approximately three hours awaiting housing placement. Individuals stated they had been provided burritos for food service. Commissioners observed access to a water cooler and disposable cups within the area.

Another intake area was observed housing individuals returning from court appearances. Commissioners observed those individuals receiving juice and burritos.

Additional intake processing lines were observed where incarcerated individuals were being weighed and provided chest X-rays as part of the intake screening process.

Commissioners noted that several intake stations lacked visible signage or labeling, which appeared to create confusion among incarcerated individuals regarding the purpose and sequence of the screening process. This resulted in repeated questions directed toward deputies and uncertainty among incarcerated individuals about what screening procedures they were undergoing.

### Mental Health and Medical Observations

Commissioners observed one incarcerated individual housed in a single holding cell who appeared to be experiencing symptoms consistent with a chronic mental health condition. The individual was observed placing a plastic bag over his head and speaking to himself.

A senior deputy responded calmly and professionally, utilizing verbal de-escalation techniques, maintaining a respectful tone of voice, demonstrating patience, and requesting the individual voluntarily surrender the plastic bag. The deputy successfully retrieved the bag without force.

Later during the inspection, the same individual was observed placing a trash receptacle over his head. The deputy again utilized calm communication and successfully de-escalated the situation.

Narcan supplies were observed staged throughout several areas of the facility.

Commissioners observed the mental health screening area and spoke with several incarcerated individuals regarding medical and mental health concerns.

One individual disclosed a history of self-harm and showed commissioners what appeared to be an infected cut or wound. The individual was restrained in a wheelchair awaiting evaluation by a clinician.

Another individual stated he believed he had been drugged the previous night and reported he did not understand how he had become arrested.

105. Narrative Continued

Commissioners observed a mental health/clinical evaluation occurring in the middle of an open room for approximately 10 minutes where surrounding individuals could hear the discussion. There was available cubicles however not utilized. Commissioners questioned whether adequate privacy protections and HIPAA considerations were being maintained during clinical assessments.

Several incarcerated individuals were observed sleeping or lying directly on the floor while awaiting processing.

Two incarcerated individuals requested medical assistance directly from commissioners. Commissioners brought the requests to the attention of deputies and medical staff, after which the individuals were reportedly evaluated.

Facility Conditions

Commissioners observed trash throughout several intake and processing areas.

The medical clinic and additional processing spaces were observed to be excessively cold, possibly due to poor air circulation and the large number of individuals awaiting processing.

Overall, commissioners observed a significant number of incarcerated individuals waiting extended periods for intake processing and housing assignment.

Summary of Observations and Concerns

Key observations and concerns during the inspection included:

Delay in commissioner credential verification upon entry.

Deputies observed watching television/media while assigned to operational areas.

Extended intake wait times for incarcerated individuals.

Lack of clear signage and labeling for intake screening stations.

Mental health concerns involving a vulnerable incarcerated individual requiring repeated de-escalation.

Clinical evaluations conducted in open settings with questionable privacy protections.

Individuals sleeping on floors while awaiting processing.

Concerns regarding sanitation and trash accumulation.

Cold temperatures within medical and intake areas.

Positive observations included availability of food and water, visible Narcan supplies, and professional de-escalation efforts demonstrated by senior deputy staff.

106. Narrative Continued

107. Narrative Continued

108. Narrative Continued

109. Narrative Continued

110. Overall, how would you rate this facility? \*

Satisfactory

Unsatisfactory