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Sheriff Kenny Lemons, Jr.
Clay County Sheriff's Office
215 W. Gilbert St.
Henrietta, TX 76365-2864

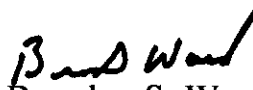
Dear Sheriff Lemons,

The most recent inspection of the Clay County Jail on October 17, 2019 by Texas Commission on Jail Standards Inspector Shane Sowell has demonstrated that your facility is in compliance with Texas Minimum Jail Standards.

Enclosed you will find Certificate of Compliance for the Clay County Jail.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,


Brandon S. Wood
Executive Director

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cc: Judge Mike Campbell, Clay County

****Note:** Please be advised that technical assistance was provided in some areas. The Requirements Review has been attached for your review to ensure that you are fully aware of the issues. Failure to address the technical assistance areas in a timely manner may result in the issuance of a notice of non-compliance.

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TEXAS COMMISSION JAIL STANDARDS - INSPECTOR REQUIREMENTS REVIEW



Shane Sowell, TCJS Inspector

Facility Name: Clay County Jail

Date: October 17, 2019

Chapter	Title	Comments
259	New Construction	Conducted a walk through inspection of the facility.
261	Existing Construction	Not applicable.
263	Life Safety	Inspected life safety equipment and conducted and observed emergency drill. Reviewed documentation. Conducted staff interviews.
265	Admission	Reviewed a random sample of 3 inmate files. Interviewed staff. Reviewed policy.
267	Release	Reviewed a random sample of 2 inmate files. Interviewed staff.
269	Records/Procedures	Reviewed policy and documentation. Interviewed staff and reviewed ADA compliance evaluation.
271	Classification	Reviewed a random selection of 3 inmate files. Reviewed staff training records. Reviewed internal classification audits. Reviewed policy. Interviewed staff.
273	Health Services	Reviewed a random selection of 3 files. Interviewed staff and inmates. Reviewed training records. Reviewed policy.
275	Supervision	Reviewed a random selection of 12 jailer TCOLE certification records. Reviewed officer documentation. Interviewed staff. Technical assistance provided – The facility was placed in noncompliance on October 9, 2019 for several missed face-to-face observation on an in custody death that occurred on September 28, 2019. The jailer in question has been placed on administrative leave since the incident and is pending the outcome of the internal investigation. This inspector reviewed face-to-face observations from the date of the in custody death until today's date and verified checks via video. Since the in custody death, no face-to-face observations have exceeded the minimum 60 or 30 minute requirement of minimum standards. The administration has met with all jail staff on proper procedures for conducting face-to-face observations. Directives were also sent via email to all jail staff with a confirmation that each staff member understood the proper procedures for conducting face-to-face observations. The administration is reviewing video on a daily basis since the incident occurred as well. Follow-up required – <u>The administration will continue to monitor all face-to-face observations on a daily basis. The administration will scan and email this inspector all face-to-face observations for the next 30-90 days. If there is any discrepancies, the facility will be placed back into noncompliance.</u>
277	Personal Hygiene	Conducted a facility walk through. Reviewed facility schedule.
279	Sanitation	Conducted a facility walk through. Interviewed staff and inmates. Reviewed policy. Technical assistance provided – During the walk-through of the jail, it was determined there was no hot water in M/O cell #46. The two females being housed in that cell advised the hot water had been working. The administration notified a plumber and the issue was corrected while this inspector was still on-site. No follow-up required.
281	Food Service	Conducted walk through inspection in kitchen area. Interviewed staff. Reviewed documentation.
283.1	Discipline	Reviewed 1 disciplinary hearing records. Interviewed staff and inmates. Reviewed policy. Reviewed inmate rules.
283.3	Grievance	Reviewed 4 inmate grievance/complaints. Reviewed policy. Interviewed staff and inmates.
285	Exercise	Walk through of exercise area conducted. Reviewed documentation. Interviewed staff and inmates.
287	Education/Library	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
289	Work Assignments	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.1	Telephone	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.2	Correspondence	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.3	Commissary	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
291.4	Visitation	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.

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291.5	Religious Practices	Reviewed policy and schedule. Interviewed staff and inmates.
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xxx	Remedial Orders	Not applicable.
xxx	Complaints	Not applicable.
xxx	CCQ	CCQ inquiries are being submitted through TLETS as required.

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