

# Dodge County Detention Facility 2016 Annual PREA Report

The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) is a federal law that was established in 2003 to help with the elimination, reduction, and prevention of sexual assault, abuse, and harassment in all correctional facilities.

The Dodge County Detention Facility has a zero tolerance policy pertaining to all sexual misconduct, including sexual abuse and sexual harassment. It states in our county PREA policy that there shall be no sexual activity between staff and inmates/detainees, or between incarcerated/detained persons. We are working continuously to implement new policies and procedures, PREA training requirements for staff and inmates, and developing standards for the detection, prevention, and reduction of sexual misconduct. It is our goal to try to ensure that all sexual misconduct is reported and investigated accurately and completely.

It is the policy of the Dodge County Detention Facility to respond and thoroughly investigate every allegation of sexual misconduct reported, and to do it in a timely manner. All cases will have an ending result of:

**Substantiated Allegation:** This means an allegation that was investigated was determined to have occurred.

**Unsubstantiated Allegation:** This means an allegation was investigated and the investigation produced insufficient evidence to make a final determination as to whether or not the event occurred.

**Unfounded Allegation:** This means an allegation was investigated and was determined not to have occurred.

In 2016 the Dodge County Detention Facility had 25 reported cases.

8 cases were reported for Inmate/Inmate non-consensual sexual acts. 3 were investigated and were substantiated. 5 were investigated and were unsubstantiated.

2 cases were reported for Inmate/Inmate abusive sexual contact. 1 was investigated and was substantiated. 1 was investigated and was unsubstantiated.

11 cases were reported for Inmate/Inmate sexual harassment. 4 cases were investigated and were substantiated. 4 cases were investigated and were unsubstantiated. 3 cases were investigated and were unfounded.

2 cases were reported for Staff sexual harassment. 1 case was investigated and was unsubstantiated. 1 case was investigated and was unfounded.

2 cases were reported for Staff sexual misconduct. Both cases were investigated and were unfounded.

<b>DCDF 2016 PREA CASES</b>	<b><u>Substantiated</u></b>	<b><u>Unsubstantiated</u></b>	<b><u>Unfounded</u></b>	<b><u>Ongoing Investigation</u></b>	<b><u>Total Reported</u></b>
<b>Inmate/Inmate Non-Consensual Sexual Act</b>	3	5	0	0	8
<b>Inmate/Inmate Abusive Sexual Contact</b>	1	1	0	0	2
<b>Inmate/Inmate Sexual Harassment</b>	4	4	3	0	11
<b>Staff Sexual Harassment</b>	0	1	1	0	2
<b>Staff Sexual Misconduct</b>	0	0	2	0	2

All data was collected and aggregated in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of our sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training.

We have identified areas for improvement and have implemented the following corrective actions:

#### Video Monitoring Systems:

Our facility is currently going through a security electronics upgrade. This upgrade includes adding numerous new cameras around the facility. These new cameras will help us with our prevention and detection of sexual abuse and harassment. The cameras will also help with the overall security of the Dodge County Detention Facility.

#### PREA Officers:

We are currently looking at adding 2 more PREA Officers to assist in investigations. We would ideally like to have Officers assisting in PREA on all shifts. This will allow us more help in responding to allegations, and conducting investigations.

#### PREA Audit:

This year we had a PREA Audit conducted for our facility. By law, every facility is required to have a PREA Audit done every 3 years. This was our first audit, and we were found to be in compliance. We will continue to uphold the standards required by PREA, and maintain our compliance for every future audit.