



PLACER COUNTY GRAND JURY

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Summary

The 2016-2017 Placer County Grand Jury conducted its annual inspection and tour of the Rocklin City Police Station and holding facility located at 4080 Rocklin Road, Rocklin, on September 28, 2016. The Grand Jury was satisfied with the conditions and operations that were observed, with the exception of the noted recommendation.

Background

Section 919(b) of the California Penal Code mandates “The Grand Jury shall inquire into the condition and management of public prisons within the county.”

Methodology

Corporal Neil Costa led the Grand Jury through the facility as they conducted their mandated inspection.

Facts

- The Grand Jury’s inspection of the Rocklin City Police Station (RCPS) jail observed a modern, well-maintained facility that houses the police department and their indoor shooting range, the fire department administration staff, city emergency dispatch and a state-of-the-art multipurpose room.
- The RCPS multipurpose room is used for community events and training for law enforcement and emergency personnel for Rocklin and other agencies in the region. The room can also be used as a regional control and coordination facility in the event of civil emergencies.
- The facility has a sally port (a secure, controlled entryway to the holding facility) used for secure access into the police facility. From the sally port area, prisoners are then escorted by one or more arresting officer(s) into the prisoner processing area.
- On the day of the inspection, the Grand Jury observed the automatic mechanism on the door between the sally port and the processing area was not closing and locking as designed.

- There were no inmates present in any cells during our inspection.
- There are six holding cells which are utilized for a maximum of 24 hours with most stays by detainees being four hours or less.
- Rocklin Police do most booking activities at the Placer County Main Jail.
- The two juvenile holding cells are separate and apart from the adult cells.
- Juvenile offenders are visually monitored at all times.

Findings

The Grand Jury found:

- F1. The sally port door used for entering/exiting the facility does not completely close and lock as it was intended. This could pose a security risk.

Conclusion

With the exception of the automatic locking mechanism to the holding cells, the RCPS and holding cells appeared to be well-managed and maintained. Overall, the Grand Jury commends the RCPS for its operation and upkeep of this facility. The Grand Jury also commends the RCPS for working with other community partners and making their facility available for training and regional emergency services.

Recommendations

The Grand Jury makes the following recommendation:

- R1.** RCPS repair or replace the self-locking mechanism of the door between the sally port and the prisoner processing area.

Request For Responses:

	<u>Recommendations Requiring Response</u>	<u>Response Due Date</u>
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