PBSO 2017 Annual PREA Report

*PREA Audit:*

* PBSO had their initial PREA Audit which was conducted by a contracted certified PREA Auditor in December 2016
* PBSO received a score of 100% compliance with 3 exemplary standards at both WDC and MDC.
* No corrective action submissions are required
* Continuation of all standards compliance practice continues
* The full PREA Audit reports for both facilities are available on the PBSO public PREA website.
* Re-audit will be scheduled for 2019

*Staff Education:*

* All contractors (Medical/Mental Health, Food Service and Commissary Company), Volunteers (religious and AA/NA), Public Defender Interviewers, Facility Maintenance employees, and Pretrial Services employees received their annual PREA education throughout the calendar year of 2017
* All contractors (Medical/Mental Health, Food Service and Commissary employees), Volunteers (religious and AA/NA), Public Defender Interviewers, Facility Maintenance employees, and Pretrial Services employees, as well as PBSO new employees continue to complete the PREA portion of New Hire Orientation prior to access into the facilities
* All PBSO employees received annual PREA education on Power DMS in 2017
* PREA related brochures and education as well as PREA cards are available at accessible areas at both facilities
* PREA Knock and Announce placards placed at the entrance of each dorm to reinforce staff compliance

*Inmate Education:*

* Initial education for inmates concerning sexual safety continues to be provided at intake, in printed information and in the inmate handbooks also received at intake. A facility wide Inmate Orientation video is also played, containing a PREA component
* Posters listing the methods of reporting alleged sexual assaults or harassment are posted in all inmate housing areas. The daily PREA video also plays in both facilities. All inmate education is maintained in English, Spanish and Creole with available Language Line for translation beyond these three languages as needed
* Newly arrested individuals all receive a private one on one interview with both classification and then with medical staff asking pertinent questions as to the sexual identity and risk as it pertains to sexual safety and the potential for victimization

*Investigations:*

* VCD continues to provide two Detectives to Corrections for the sole purpose of investigating all alleged crimes in both facilities, which includes any and all complaints of sexual assault and harassment
* A new Detective was assigned this year, completing all specialized PREA standard mandated training prior to investigating alleged assaults and sexual harassment

*Progress:*

* MDC continues their camera project for better surveillance throughout the jail.
* PREA Knock and Announce placards were placed at the entrance of each dorm

*Memorandum of Understanding (MOU):*

* PBSO continues to maintain a MOU with Palm Beach County Victim Services for inmate use without cost, of the Rape Hotline, the use of SANE nurses and Victim Advocates for hospital care at any local ER as needed for any inmate that allege victim of sexual violence as defined by PREA

*Statistics:*

* See attached
* Cumulative PREA statistics are also available on the PBSO public PREA website