

Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office
2022 Annual PREA Report

PREA Audit:

Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO) completed their 3-year PREA re-accreditation audit on January 17-19, 2023. Results are pending final report. Ongoing standards compliance continues throughout the year.

Staff Education:

All staff, contractors, medical/mental Health, food service, commissary, public defender interviewers, facility maintenance employees, pretrial services employees, and volunteers continue to receive their initial PREA orientation at Security Orientation Training throughout the calendar year of 2022 while maintaining COVID precautionary guidelines.

Annual PREA Training for contractors and volunteers continues to be done electronically during Security Clearance renewal. All PBSO employees receive annual PREA Training in Power DMS and training bulletins.

Printed educational material remain available at both sites for all employees, contractors and volunteers.

PBSO COP 934.00 (Sexual Offenders and Victims) and COP 920.01 (Transgender Housing) were reviewed in the Command Staff Annual Review Process with recommended changes.

Inmate Education:

Initial education for inmates, concerning sexual safety, continues to be provided during intake in printed form (Inmate Handbook). It is also available electronically on the Inmate Kiosk System.

The Inmate Orientation video continues to be played daily at both sites, as does the PREA DVD for inmates from the PREA Resource Center.

Posters listing the methods of reporting alleged sexual assaults or harassment are posted in all inmate housing areas.

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All inmate education is maintained in English, Spanish and Creole.

The Language Line is available for translation beyond these three languages as needed.

Comparison of Annual Reports (2021 and 2022):

Based on current and past annual results, new improvement strategies were developed and implemented. Please see below improvement measures.

- The Sexual Assault Tracker has been modified for improved data analysis and reporting.
- Securus Technologies is in the process of developing a secured inmate tablet platform that delivers educational materials and other services. Installation TBA.
- PREA Orientation Power Point has been updated and continues to be shown in the Security Orientation Class.
- PREA Annual Power Point has been updated and will be disseminated in June 2023.
- The National PREA Resource Center website is monitored for updates, classes, webinars, and FAQs.
- The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Victim Services for Victim Advocacy and examinations in the emergency room for sexual assault complaints continues to be in effect. The MOU has been modified and renewed for 2023.

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Continued Progress:

After Incident Review Meetings continues to be in person as well as virtual ZOOM Meetings for those who cannot attend.

The *Survey of Sexual Victimization* has been completed and submitted to the Bureau of Justice Statistics.

MDC continues their camera project for enhanced surveillance throughout the jail.

PREA Knock and Announce placards that are maintained at the entrance of each dorm.

Signage (posters, placards, etc.) are viewed during all monthly inspections. Damaged signage is replaced as soon as possible.

COVID precautions have not impacted PBSO's ability to monitor, report, respond to, investigate and provided appropriate medical and mental health treatment for all PREA related complaints in 2022.

Privacy film remains on cell doors in areas such as Intake, Infirmaries, and court holding cells to enhance inmate privacy.

Partitions remain in the bathroom areas at West Detention Center.

Main Detention Center's East Tower remains closed for renovation.

Statistics:

2022 PREA Statistics are located on page 4 and 5.

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2022 PREA STATISTICS

JANUARY	MDC	WDC
Cases	6	1
Unfounded (5 SA)	4	1
Unsubstantiated	0	0
Substantiated (1 SA)	1	0
Open	0	0
Not PREA	1	0
Closed	0	0

JULY	MDC	WDC
Cases	3	3
Unfounded (6 SA)	3	3
Unsubstantiated	0	0
Substantiated	0	0
Open	0	0
Not PREA	0	0
Closed	0	0

FEBRUARY	MDC	WDC
Cases	5	1
Unfounded (4 SA, 2 SH)	5	1
Unsubstantiated	0	0
Substantiated	0	0
Open	0	0
Not PREA	0	0
Closed	0	0

AUGUST	MDC	WDC
Cases	10	4
Unfounded (12 SA, 2 SH)	10	4
Unsubstantiated	0	0
Substantiated	0	0
Open	0	0
Not PREA	0	0
Closed	0	0

MARCH	MDC	WDC
Cases	5	1
Unfounded (2 SA, 3 SH)	4	1
Unsubstantiated	0	0
Substantiated (1 SA)	1	0
Open	0	0
Not PREA	0	0
Closed	0	0

SEPTEMBER	MDC	WDC
Cases	10	1
Unfounded (9 SA, 2 SH)	10	1
Unsubstantiated	0	0
Substantiated	0	0
Open	0	0
Not PREA	0	0
Closed	0	0

APRIL	MDC	WDC
Cases	7	0
Unfounded (4 SA, 2 SH)	6	0
Unsubstantiated	0	0
Substantiated (1 SA)	1	0
Open	0	0
Not PREA	0	0
Closed	0	0

OCTOBER	MDC	WDC
Cases	3	2
Unfounded (3 SA, 2 SH)	3	2
Unsubstantiated	0	0
Substantiated	0	0
Open	0	0
Not PREA	0	0
Closed	0	0

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MAY	MDC	WDC
Cases	5	3
Unfounded (8 SA)	5	3
Unsubstantiated	0	0
Substantiated	0	0
Open	0	0
Not PREA	0	0
Closed	0	0

NOVEMBER	MDC	WDC
Cases	3	2
Unfounded (2 SA, 2 SH)	3	1
Unsubstantiated (1 SA)	0	1
Substantiated	0	0
Open	0	0
Not PREA	0	0
Closed	0	0

JUNE	MDC	WDC
Cases	4	4
Unfounded (5 SA, 3 SH)	4	4
Unsubstantiated	0	0
Substantiated	0	0
Open	0	0
Not PREA	0	0
Closed	0	0

DECEMBER	MDC	WDC
Cases	11	0
Unfounded (9 SA, 1 SH)	10	0
Unsubstantiated (1 SA)	1	0
Substantiated	0	0
Open	0	0
Not PREA	0	0
Closed	0	0

Total: MDC	
Cases	72
Unfounded	67
Unsubstantiated	1
Substantiated	3
Open	0
Not PREA	1
Closed	0

Total: WDC	
Cases	22
Unfounded	21
Unsubstantiated	1
Substantiated	0
Open	0
Not PREA	0
Closed	0