

April 18, 2019

TO:

Assistant Director for Detention Management

FROM:

Lead Compliance Inspector The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

SUBJECT: Annual Detention Inspection of the Freeborn County Adult Detention Center

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS and PBNDS/2011 SAAPI) of the Freeborn County Adult Detention Center in Albert Lea, MN during the period of April 16-18, 2019. This is an IGSA facility.

The annual inspection was performed under the guidance of the second process, Lead Compliance Inspector. Team Members were:

Subject Matter Field	Team Member
Security	
Detainee Rights	
Medical Care	
Safety	
Medical	

# **Type of Inspection**

This is a scheduled annual inspection, which is performed to determine overall compliance with the ICE NDS for Over 72 hour facilities. The facility received a rating of Acceptable during the April 2018 inspection.

#### **Inspection Summary**

The Freeborn County Adult Detention Center is currently accredited by:

- The American Correctional Association (ACA) No
- The National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) No
- The Joint Commission (TJC) No
- Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) No

# **Standards Compliance**

The following information is a summary of the standards that were reviewed and overall compliance that was determined as a result of the 2018 NDS annual inspection and the 2019 NDS compliance annual inspection.



20187 Inspection	
Acceptable	37
Deficient	0
At-Risk	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	2

2019 Inspection	
Acceptable	37
Deficient	0
At-Risk	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	2

The inspection team identified three (3) deficient components in the following three (3) standards:

Admission and Release -1, which is a repeat deficiency Detainee Handbook -1 Visitation -1, which is a repeat deficiency

# **Facility Snapshot/Description**

The Freeborn County Adult Detention Center is owned by Freeborn County and operated under the jurisdiction of the Freeborn County Sheriff's Office. It is located in downtown Albert Lea, MN, which is ninety miles Southwest of Minneapolis/St. Paul.

The jail is contained in the Freeborn County building. The exterior walls of the building serve as the secure perimeter of the facility which are monitored by surveillance cameras. All exterior doors are alarmed and controlled by master control officers. There is no exterior perimeter patrol but there is an inside perimeter patrol each shift which checks pipe chases, hallways, doors, and ceilings.

The jail is comprised of three general population housing units which are configured into: one two-tier 48 bed dormitory with 24 beds up and 24 beds down; one two-tier housing unit with a fourteen-bed dormitory up and four two-bed cells down; and one two-tier housing unit with sixteen two-bed cells up and sixteen two-bed cells down. The special management unit (SMU) is a cloistered walled-off portion located inside one of the general population housing units. It is built with its own sally port entrance off the general population day room. The SMU is a two-tier design with eight disciplinary segregation one-bed cells downstairs and six administrative segregation two-bed cells upstairs. The general population housing units have day rooms equipped with telephones, informational kiosks, video-visit stations, televisions, and fixed table/chair units. Detainees have indoor and outdoor recreation.

Inspectors were present in all housing units and spoke with all of the detainees willing to engage with us. Generally, there were no substantive concerns. The various minor comments ranged from the price of goods in the vending machine, the height of the top bunk and not an easy way to access, and the unwillingness of all detainees keeping their personal space clean. The few health care concerns heard were addressed with the medical SME who discussed the issues with medical staff which revealed proper medical treatment was and will be delivered. One detainee who had back surgery stated he has not been given a sick call pass and has been given no medical attention subsequent to this surgery. The medical SME investigated the allegation and discovered the detainee has received 33 sick call passes over the last ten days; has been sent to a hospital emergency room



due to this back pain; has received an MRI; is scheduled to an outside physician on 4/19/2019; and is scheduled to see his original surgeon on 4/22/2019. The detainee was informed proper medical attention has been and will be provided.

Detainees were not hesitant in communicating and they answered all questions without reservation. The housing unit living and day room areas were clean and orderly. Most detainees were watching television and playing board games. The DO was present throughout this inspection and was seen interacting with detainees and addressing their concerns.

Medical services are provided by Advanced Correctional Healthcare. Food services are provided by Summit Food Services. Maintenance services are provided by Freeborn County employees. ICE detainees are not subject to medical co-payments.

#### **Areas of Concern/Significant Observations**

There were no areas of concern identified during this inspection.

### **Recommended Rating and Justification**

The Lead Compliance Inspector recommends that the facility receive a rating of Acceptable. The facility complies with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS). No (0) standards were found Deficient and two (2) standards were Not Applicable (N/A). All remaining thirty-seven (37) standards were found to be in compliance.

#### **LCI Assurance Statement**

The findings of compliance and noncompliance are accurately and completely documented on the G-324A Inspection Form and are supported by documentation in the inspection file. An out brief was conducted at the facility and in addition to the entire Nakamoto Group, Inc. Inspection Team, the following were present:

•	ICE Officials – Facility Staff –	
	, Lead Compliance Inspector	April 18, 2019
	, Lead Compitative Inspector	April 10, 2017
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