

November 15, 2019

TO: [REDACTED]  
Assistant Director for Detention Management

FROM: [REDACTED]  
Lead Compliance Inspector  
The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

SUBJECT: **Annual Detention Inspection of the Sherburne County Jail**

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS) of the Sherburne County Jail, in Elk River, Minnesota during the period of November 13-15, 2019. This is an IGSA facility.

The inspection was performed under the guidance of [REDACTED], Lead Compliance Inspector. Team members were:

Subject Matter Field	Team Member
Detainee Rights	[REDACTED]
Security	[REDACTED]
Medical Care	[REDACTED]
Safety	[REDACTED]
Medical Care	[REDACTED]

### **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 previous rating of Acceptable during the November 2018 inspection.

### **Inspection Summary**

The Sherburne County Jail is currently accredited by:

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

### **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 and 2019 annual inspections:



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<b>2018 Annual Inspection</b>	
Acceptable	37
Deficient	0
Repeat Deficiency	0
Not Applicable	2

<b>2019 Annual Inspection</b>	
Acceptable	37
Deficient	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	2

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

- Classification System -1, which is a repeat deficiency
- Access to Medical Care - 1
- Sexual Abuse and Assault Prevention and Intervention - 1

### **Facility Snapshot/Description**

The Sherburne County Jail is located in Elk River, Minnesota, approximately 35 miles north of Minneapolis, St. Paul. The Sherburne County Jail is a regional detention facility operated by the Sherburne County Sheriff's Office. The county has an Intergovernmental Service Agreement (IGSA) with ICE to house male and female detainees. The facility was constructed in 1979 and has gone through a series of remodeling and construction projects to reach the current capacity [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] The majority of bed space is used by the federal government including the U.S. Marshals Service and Bureau of Indian Affairs. The facility also provides bed space for Sherburne County, the Minnesota Department of Corrections, Anoka County, and Mahnommen County. [REDACTED]

The facility operates with a combination of direct and indirect supervision. The special management unit is one level and of linear design. The remaining housing units are two levels and of direct supervision design. The detainees participate in a seven to ten-day orientation program before being housed in general population. The formal orientation program includes an overview of facility rules, operations, available programs, and services. The housing units include a barber shop, indoor gym, janitorial closet, vending machines, and a multipurpose room for programs and the use of an electronic law library.

The inspection team found the environment to be calm. The inspection team interviewed no less than 65 detainees including eight LEP detainees (by use of language line), females, males, detainees in administrative segregation and disciplinary segregation. No less than 24 of the interviews were conducted in a confidential setting. Detainee interviews revealed an overall favorable opinion of food services, medical care, access to legal materials, detainee mail system, access to telephones, and the opportunity to speak to facility supervisors and ICE officers.

Both line officers and supervisors exhibited a professional demeanor in both attire and attitude. Interactions between facility personnel and ICE detainees were observed to be professional and responsive. Sanitation in all areas of the facility was observed to be above average.

The facility does not charge co-pays for medical, mental health, or dental care. Medical services are provided by MENd Correctional Care. Food services are provided by Summit Food Service, LLC. All other services are provided by Sherburne County employees.

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

There were no areas of concern or significant observations noted during the inspection.

### **Recommended Rating and Justification**

The Lead Compliance Inspector recommends that the facility receive a rating of Acceptable. The facility complies with the National Detention Standards (NDS) for Over 72 hour facilities. No (0) standards were found Deficient and two (2) standards were Not Applicable (N/A). All remaining thirty-seven (37) standards were found Acceptable.

### **LCI Assurance Statement**

The findings of compliance and noncompliance are accurately and completely documented on the G-324 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 - [REDACTED]
- Facility Staff - [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED], Lead Compliance Inspector  
Printed Name of LCI

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