

July 11, 2019

TO:

Assistant Director for Detention Management

FROM:

Lead Compliance Inspector The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

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

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS) of the Kandiyohi County Jail in Willmar, Minnesota during the period of July 9-11, 2019. This is an IGSA facility.

The inspection was performed under the guidance of the compliance Inspector. Team members were:

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

# **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 December 2018 inspection.

# **Inspection Summary**

The Kandiyohi County Jail 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 and 2019 annual inspections:



2018 Annual Inspection	
Acceptable	36
Deficient	0
Repeat Deficiency	0
Not Applicable	3

2019 Annual Inspection	
Acceptable	38
Deficient	0
Repeat Deficiency	0
Not Applicable	1

The inspection team identified thirteen (13) deficient components in the following seven (7) standards:

Admission and Release – 1
Food Service – 2
Recreation – 2
Disciplinary Policy – 1
Environmental Health and Safety – 1
Special Management Unit / Administrative Segregation – 2
Special Management Unit / Disciplinary Segregation – 4

# **Facility Snapshot/Description**

The Kandiyohi County Jail is located in Willmar, Minnesota, approximately 100 miles west of the Minneapolis/Saint Paul International Airport. The facility is owned by Kandiyohi County and operated under the jurisdiction of the Kandiyohi County Sheriff's Office. The jail currently houses adult male and female ICE detainees; adult male and female Kandiyohi County detainees; and one adult male State of Minnesota Department of Corrections inmate. The facility houses all classification custody levels of these populations.

The jail opened in 2001 . The facility is a one-story structure which houses the Kandiyohi Sheriff's Office, the City of Willmar Police Department, and the Kandiyohi County Jail. The perimeter of the compound is encircled by a single twelve-foot chain link fence that is foot patrolled by an unarmed officer on an irregular schedule. The facility has a 149 surveillance camera network that monitors the entire perimeter and all of the housing units, common areas, and movement corridors. All movement is escorted. The secure section of the facility contains nine housing units; eight are general population units and one is a special management unit. All housing units are cell design and are under direct supervision by officers. ICE detainees comingle with non-ICE detainees of compatible custody levels in their housing and common areas.

Housing units are equipped with a television in the dayroom and fixed dining/seating tables where they can play board games, cards, and engage in social interactions with one another. Each housing unit has at least one kiosk on which detainees can file requests, submit grievances, shop at the commissary, review activity schedules, bulletins, and handbook content; and at least one video-visit station. Text devices are also available for detainee communication with family and friends.

Detainees spoke with the inspection team without hesitation. The inspection team conducted several interviews with detainees in public and private settings. Some of the LEP interviews were assisted by the use of a language line. Detainees voiced no substantive complaints or concerns when questioned about their personal safety,



treatment by staff, medical care, asylum requests, consulate/court access, ICE services, visiting privileges, law library access, or food services.

Medical care is provided by MEnD Correctional Care; food service is provided by Summit Food Service; and maintenance is provided by Kandiyohi County employees. Detainee telephone services and iPods for texting are provided by Reliance Telephone, Inc. Video visitation is provided by TurnKey Corrections. ICE detainees are not charged a medical co-payment.

# **Areas of Concern/Significant Observations**

There were no areas of concern or significant observations.

### **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 one (1) standard was Not Applicable (N/A). All remaining thirty-eight (38) 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	July 11, 2019	
Printed Name of LCI	Date	