



CABARRUS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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2024 DHS PREA Annual Report

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Cabarrus County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) is committed to meeting the requirements of the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003 and enhancing the safety and security of all CCSO detainees. This report is a summary of the agency's efforts in PREA compliance. By examining the collection and aggregation of agency data, CCSO is dedicated to improving the effectiveness of sexual abuse detection, prevention, and responsiveness. There were no allegations by detainees of sexual abuse.

Purpose:

This document serves as an annual review to assess and improve effectiveness of sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training CCSO provides pursuant to 115.288 and 115.289 of the National PREA Standards. CCSO is required to: 1. Review and aggregate incident-based sexual abuse data annually to improve the effectiveness of sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training to include: a. Identifying problem areas; b. Taking corrective action on an on-going basis; c. Preparing an annual report of its findings. 2. Compare the current year's data and corrective actions with those from prior years and provide an assessment of the agency's progress in addressing sexual abuse. 3. Publish the annual report on the CCSO website of its findings and corrective actions for the Detention Facility.

Aggregated Data:

PREA Reports	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	On-Going Investigations
Detainee Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0
Detainee Sexual Abuse	0	0	0	0
Staff-on-Detainee Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0
Staff-on-Detainee Sexual Abuse	0	0	0	0
Total for Agency	0	0	0	0

2024 Meeting:

- Added PREA documents to kiosk to make information readily available.
- Began 30-day PREA Reassessments for inmates.
- PREA Orientation was added into booking area.
- Started disciplining inmates for making false PREA complaints.
- Made an updated presentation for annual Employee PREA Training.
- A brochure has been made for visitors with information pertaining to PREA.
- An after-hours checklist has been made available to staff in the event of a reported rape.
- PREA Refresher information has been made available to staff.
- An organized excel spreadsheet has been made to log all the PREA complaints in the facility.
- Implemented monthly SAIR meetings.
- Started 90-Day Monitoring for substantiated and unsubstantiated PREA cases.
- Added annual reports to Cabarrus County website.
- Frosted shower windows to be compliant with PREA Standards.
- Tested PREA hotline numbers for inmates to report.

2024 Continued Needs for Compliance:

- Continued focus on annual PREA training for all staff.
- Adding the DHS PREA Form to yearly evaluations.

Agency Goals for 2025:

- Make inmates/detainees more aware of how they can make a PREA complaint.
- Inform officers of how to make timely PREA reports.
- Add DHS PREA Form to yearly evaluations.
- Continued PREA Training for volunteers, contractors, and staff.

Other Items:

- Began PREA Coordinator Training with the PREA Resource Center.