

**Ada County Juvenile Detention-Annual Report for 2020 UPDATED**  
**Prison Rape Elimination Act**

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total no. of juveniles booked into detention:	1086	814	1021	906	879	490
Total no. of juveniles released from detention:	1076	820	1001	892	888	507

Allegations of youth on youth sexual acts:

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Substantiated:	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unsubstantiated:	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unfounded:	0	0	0	1	1	0
Investigation ongoing:	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total:	0	0	0	1	1	0

Allegations of youth on youth sexual harassment:

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Substantiated:	0	0	0	0	0	1
Unsubstantiated:	0	0	0	0	2	0
Unfounded:	1	0	0	0	0	1
Investigations ongoing:	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total:	1	0	0	0	2	2

Allegations of staff sexual misconduct with a juvenile:

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Substantiated:	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unsubstantiated:	0	1	0	0	0	0
Unfounded:	1	0	0	1	0	0
Investigation ongoing:	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total:	1	1	0	1	0	0

Allegations of staff sexual harassment of a juvenile:

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Substantiated:	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unsubstantiated:	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unfounded:	0	0	0	0	0	0
Investigation ongoing:	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total:	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Total number of substantiated incidents reported in 2020: 1**

**Assessment of agencies progress in addressing sexual abuse:** ACJS started its third federal audit for PREA in 2020, with expected completion in 2021. It was rescheduled several times due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The onsite portion of the audit was initiated in December 2020.

**Work done to ensure PREA compliance and implement the PREA standards**

ACJS Continues to ensure all staff and residents are trained in PREA and continue to monitor the actions of the residents in our care. PREA audit for 2020 pre-audit questionnaire was completed, and the onsite was started in December and completed in February 2021.

**Assessment of Improvements and Effectiveness in Sexual Abuse Prevention, Detection and Response**

- **Identifying Problem Areas**  
None
  
- **Corrective Actions on an Ongoing Basis (staffing, cameras, etc.)**  
Staffing was an issue due to the Covid-19 pandemic, admissions to detention were way down as well. We moved all the residents to the east end of the building to better utilize staffing.
  
- **Training and Professional Development Successes**  
Even with the pandemic all PREA trainings took place this year.

**Comparison of 2019 and 2020 Data**

- **2019**
  - 0 Substantiated Sexual Assault incidents
  - 0 Substantiated Sexual Harassment incidents
- **2020**
  - 0 Substantiated Sexual Assault incidents
  - 1 Substantiated Sexual Harassment incidents

**Specific Findings and Corrective Actions for ACJS Detention**

- **Actions taken to ensure a low number of allegations/abuses**  
Continued close supervision of residents helps minimize the risk of a PREA incident
  
- **Actions taken upon detecting and responding to allegations**  
All incidents regarding PREA are investigated by trained investigators. The victim and alleged perpetrator are immediately separated and housed apart for the duration of the investigation and depending on the outcome, for their entire stay in detention. Medical and Clinical staff are informed to help support victims.

**Summary:** ACJS continues to work to ensure juveniles remain safe while in custody. The occurrence of sexual abuse at ACJS is very low due to high levels of security, strong supervision, single occupancy rooms and showers, as well as increased amounts of programming throughout the day. However, we realize that we must remain vigilant regarding safety. We will continue to have a strong zero-tolerance policy and promote a safe environment with regard to all forms of abuse. Results of investigations are used to assess the need for any changes at ACJS including, but not limited to, policies, procedures, physical plant characteristics, surveillance technology, staffing, shifts, personnel assignments, and

supervision. ACJS takes a proactive approach when complying with the Prison Rape Elimination Act. All allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment are investigated.

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Alison Tate

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