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## DJJ BRRC Facility Daily Status Report

3/21/2016

### Rehabilitative Services Division

- Special Response Team (SRT) equipment has been ordered. Expected delivery within the next few weeks due to the large amount of safety equipment being ordered. We have ordered shields, protective helmets, elbow padding and goggles.
- Approval to increase SRT team from 15 members to 25 members.
- Requesting approval to purchase vehicles to transport the team to other facilities as needed.
- SRT training will tentatively begin on April 4, 2016.
- The SRT Policy is currently being revised and reviewed for approval.
- Phase One date for Intensive Treatment Unit opening previously scheduled on March 22, 2016, has been postponed to March 23, 2016; due to asbestos in the flooring.
- We still have ten 10 juveniles at the Juvenile Detention Center (JDC) under investigation for the February 26, 2016 incident. Three juveniles are pending release to Broad River Road Complex (BRRC) upon completion of investigation.
- We still have eight juveniles at JDC from the Crisis Management Unit (CMU).
- We currently have three juveniles identified for the Intensive Therapy Program at JDC.

### Educational Services Division

- Completed final staffing for Reorientation Unit and Intensive Treatment Unit
- Continuing expansion of the virtual solution.
- Creating formula, chain of communication, and spreadsheet for daily incident data for action team.
- Staff requests completed for other alternative programs.

### Administrative Services Division

- Girl's Transition Home – contractor started work today.
- Girl's Transition Home – three replacement doors ordered and picked up.
- Girl's Transition Home – mini blinds picked to replace.
- Willow Lane fence expected to be completely dismantled today with exception of posts.
- Temporary Community Center (TCC) – all cells and offices painted today (completed 100%).
- TCC – painting the common area is approximately 35% complete.
- Contractor on site today to provide a quote for additional security improvements for the recreational areas of TCC and CMU.
- Status Updates: Basic Training – 21 employees in training with 7 assigned to BRRC (one person dropped out since last report)

#### BRRC Facility All Staff –

Total	240
Filled	196
Vacant	44

#### BRRC Security Staff –

Total	236
Filled	193
Vacant	43

## **Office of Legal, Legislative, & Policy Coordination**

- Four disciplinary hearing-related policies sent out by policy administrator for 2-week review.
- Meeting held with DJJ staff on documents needed to properly respond to the Post and Courier's Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) – Response due 3/25.
- Continued to gather documents needed to respond to State newspaper's FOIA - response due 4/1.
- Meeting held with Security, Treatment and Classification staff to discuss status of youth housed at Richland County Detention Center.
- Discussed with Governor's Office legal counsel the process they wish us to follow regarding media FOIA requests.
- Reached agreement regarding release of identifiable information on juveniles with the State Inspector General and instructed DJJ's research and statistics and IT staffs to comply.

## **Inspector General's Office**

- A proposed directive was sent to the Director's office regarding searching bags, purses, backpacks, and similar items possessed by persons entering the Broad River Road Complex (BRRRC).
- A proposed directive was sent to the Director's office regarding an email alert when the campus has been placed under lockdown.
- A meeting is being scheduled with the DJJ Information Technology office to look at purging the Emergency Reporting Management Information System (ERMIS). This system was put in place in 2000 or 2001 and there are currently over 53,000 events stored on there and my belief is that it is causing the system to perform poorly as a result of needing to be purged.
- SOP's for Gate Security is being researched and discussed. The items of discussion are:
  - Utilization of a Guest/Visitors list to be kept at the front gate to ensure visitors are truly visitors. A phone call will be made to the staff that has a guest that is not on the list.
  - Searches of vehicles and individuals.
  - A vehicle to be utilized by those officers to pursue an individual that may go a different direction than the one they were instructed.
- Investigators testified in Grand Jury this morning to the facts of five of the arrest stemming from the incident that occurred back in February.

## **Planning and Programs Division**

- Working with staff to revise the Daily Population report to incorporate other data domains to include; seriously mental ill youth, school population, number of youth in treatment unit and resocialization unit.
- Working with the legal office on multiple Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests from WACH, the Charleston Post & Courier, The State newspaper.

## **Office of Treatment & Intervention Services**

- Aggression Replacement Training overview provided to Senior Managers.
- Meeting with Director Murray and Mr. Soura, DHS Director, regarding Mental Health referrals confirmed for 3-23.
- Meeting with Legal Counsel, Director of Classification, and Facility Administrator regarding the BRRRC juveniles at Alvin S Glenn. These juveniles will be removed from the BRRRC count. A meeting will be scheduled with the Juvenile Parole Board to determine how to proceed with the parole status of these juveniles.