



JUVENILE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT
County of Galveston
(PROBATION and DETENTION SERVICES)

December 28, 2018

Glen Watson, Director
Galveston County Juvenile Justice Department
6101 Attwater Avenue
Texas City, Texas 77590

Re: Data review for corrective action

Mr. Watson,

The Galveston County Juvenile Justice Department has completed the 2016 and 2017 reviews of sexual abuse data collected and aggregated pursuant to the requirements of the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) - Juvenile Facility Standards part 115.388 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of the departments sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training applicable to the Jerry J. Esmond Juvenile Justice Center and the Galveston County Juvenile Justice Department.

PREA Data Collection records were reviewed pursuant to 115.387. In 2016 there was one unsubstantiated allegation of youth on youth abusive sexual contact and one unsubstantiated allegation of youth on youth sexual harassment reported during the calendar year when the facility admitted 578 juveniles. In 2017 there were four allegations of youth on youth abusive sexual contact (2 substantiated, 1 unsubstantiated, and 1 unfounded), one unsubstantiated allegation of youth on youth sexual harassment, and one unfounded allegation of staff sexual misconduct during the calendar year when the facility admitted 459 juvenile. None of the allegations are related nor do they suggest a pattern of misconduct requiring a departure from the department's current course of action aimed at 100% compliance with PREA standards.

The Galveston County Juvenile Justice Department is dedicated to full compliance with 28 C.F.R. Part 115 Prison Rape Elimination Act's Juvenile Facility Standards with policies, procedures and practices which have yielded a very low incidence of sexual violence in department facilities during 2013, 2014, and 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Dink Watson
Deputy Director - Detention
Department PREA Coordinator

Approved By:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Glen R. Watson".

Glen R. Watson, Director
Galveston County Juvenile Justice

Dated: 12/28/2018