

Warden's Report

July 2020

Acting Warden Donna Mellon stated that the current inmate population is 1,038.

There are 921 males and 117 females.

For the month of July, there were 421 commitments and 433 discharges.

The average daily population for July was 1,014.

The recidivism rate was 61%.

There were no major incidents.

There are 0 people on the Norristown State Hospital wait list. There were 5 inmates transported to Norristown State Hospital on August 6th.

There were 48 inmates released to Drug and Alcohol programs in July. There are 6 inmates in the Vivitrol Program.

Ms. Mellon congratulated Chaplin Cokelia Dunn for being named the "County Sector Chaplin of the Year" by the Pennsylvania Prison Chaplains Association. Ms. Dunn will receive the reward on September 3rd.

Program instructors continue to meet with clients individually and in small cohort groups. The Law Library is now open. GEO has installed new computers for inmate use.

Thresholds is scheduled to resume Monday with the changes to the visitation room.

GED teachers are meeting with their students. There are new computers for GED testing and the software has been updated. There are 8 inmates scheduled for GED testing this week.

Zoom church programs continue with the Chaplin. Every unit can participate in the religious programs throughout the jail.

There are 19 weekenders reporting to the DUI building on Friday nights. They are housed separately from the general population.

Maintenance Update: Maintenance: Ms. Mellon mentioned that Public Works is trying to get a generator through Co-Stars. Concord Township Sewer Authority's quarterly invoice was only \$8,000 last month as compared to about \$50,000.00 from the previous quarterly invoice. Ms. Mellon believed it was due to reduced prison population and repairs to the sewer treatment plant.

Ms. Mellon is working with GEO to see whose responsibility it is to update the Kennel.

The air conditioners go down on a regular basis. GEO Maintenance Department has done a great job at resetting the system or by putting Freon in it. Security provides ice, water and industrial fans when the air conditioners go down in the jail. Most repairs are made within 24 hours when an outside vendor is required.