



Rockingham County

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Stephen Church
Superintendent

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July 23, 2019

To: Attorney General Gordon J. MacDonald
Subject: County Department of Corrections
From: Commissioner Kevin Coyle
Rockingham County New Hampshire

Dear Attorney General MacDonald,

On Tuesday, July 23, 2019, I conducted my semi-annual visit and inspection of the Rockingham County Correctional Facility and met with Superintendent Stephen Church.

We toured the building and I reviewed the management, conditions and security of the facility and condition of the inmates housed in the Rockingham County Correctional Facility. I found the building to be clean, and well maintained. The inmates were courteous and appeared to be well cared for and well fed.

At the time of this inspection, I visited the Booking area where new flooring is scheduled to be installed and to F Dining where in addition to cosmetics and fresh paint, a new floor was completed. The building has also had new wiring upgrades to allow for the implementation of inmate tablets and a new security program for monitoring inmates at risk of harming themselves. With the continued success of the Diversion Programs put into place by Superintendent Church, the lower inmate population has continued to allow the current inmates to be re-housed on other blocks while work gets underway to renovate remaining Blocks. Renovation planning will continue on the housing blocks, however will be determined by population levels as current projects are completed.

The facility's state of the art Body Scanner continues to prove to be an asset to the facility by allowing staff to scan offenders for concealed weapons and contraband when they are brought into the building and before being sent up to the block population.

Superintendent Church continually plans and budgets for the up keep and preventative maintenance of the facility and grounds.

Mrs. Gates and her staff make sure our facilities are up to code and safe for the inmates, clients, visitors and employees who work for the County.

Major maintenance updates and repairs are reported and discussed at bi-weekly Commissioners meetings on a regular basis.

Sincerely,

Kevin St. James, Chairman
Rockingham County Board of Commissioners