



# Rockingham County

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

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Superintendent

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October 25, 2017

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

Dear Attorney General MacDonald,

On Wednesday, October 24, 2017, 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 C-Block which is under a major renovation which includes updated wiring and plumbing in addition to cosmetics and fresh paint. Taking the opportunity of the lower population; due in most part to the Diversion Programs put into place by Superintendent Church, inmates are re-housed on other blocks while work is underway. Renovations are planned to continue on other housing blocks however will be determined by population levels when the current project has been completed.

The addition of a state of the art Body Scanner proves 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, Vice Chairman  
Rockingham County Board of Commissioners