

December 1, 2014

**Sheriff Mitch Woods**

**From January 2014 to December 2014, the Jefferson County Correctional Facility has reported only 1 substantiated report of sexual harassment for the entire population of over 800 incarcerated individuals.**

**Inmate to Staff Sexual Harassment Reported**

**Substantiated-----1**

**Unsubstantiated -----2**

**Inmate to Inmate Sexual Harassment Reported**

**Unsubstantiated-----2**

**Staff to Inmate Sexual Abuse Reported ----- 0**

**Inmate to Inmate Sexual Abuse Reported----- 0**

**According to the 2012 United States Department of Justice; Bureau of Justice Statistics, the national average for reported in-custody sexual victimization is approximately 3.2%. Jefferson county has a reported rate of less than 1% regarding substantiated in custody sexual abuse or sexual harassment.**

**The Jefferson County Sheriff's Department will publish an annual report regarding in custody sexual abuse and sexual harassment with plans to improve the agency's prevention, detection and response efforts.**

**A designated Sexual abuse incident review team has been assembled to conduct post incident reviews to determine necessary changes or improvements required for the safety of all involved.**

**Respectfully,**

**Lt. W. Williams**

**PREA Coordinator**

## **PREA Compliance**

### **Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Compliance**

In 2013 an office of PREA Compliance was set up for the Jefferson County Sheriff's office with the responsibility of ensuring the Sheriff's office is compliant with the Prison Rape Elimination Act. (PREA) of 2003 which was instituted by then President George W. Bush. This requirement was established to address the elimination and prevention of sexual assault and harassment in correctional systems. PREA applies to all federal state, and local prisons, jails, police lock-ups, private facilities, and community settings such as residential facilities.

The Sheriff's Office has established Jefferson County Policies and Procedures which promotes a safe environment for inmates by reducing sexual abuse and sexual harassment, in accordance with the federal standards. All allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment shall be referred for investigation. Allegations involving potentially criminal behavior shall be conducted by the Criminal Investigations Division by investigators who have been properly trained in conducting investigations of sexual abuse in confinement settings.

**PREA ANNUAL REPORT 2014- 2015**

**REVIEW DATA COLLECTED AND AGGREGATED IN ORDER TO ASSESS AND IMPORVE THE  
EFFECTIVENESS OF OUR SEXUAL ABUSE PREVENTION, DETECTION, AND RESPONSE POLICIES,  
PRACTICES AND TRAINING, INCLUDING BY:**

- 1. IDENTIFYING PROBLEM AREAS**
- 2. TAKING CORRECTIVE ACTION ON AN ONGOING BASIS**
- 3. PREPARING AN ANNUAL REPORT OF FINDINGS AND CORRECTIVE  
ACTIONS FOR THE FACILITY**

# JEFFERSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

## PREA ANNUAL REPORT 2014

|  | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | TOTALS |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|
| <b>Reported Sexual Abuse (Staff on Inmate)</b>       |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |        |
| Substantiated  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Unsubstantiated                                      |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Unfounded  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Open   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| <b>Totals</b>  | 0   | 0   | 0   |     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0      |
| <b>Reported Sexual Abuse (Inmate on Inmate)</b>      |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |        |
| Substantiated  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Unsubstantiated                                      |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Unfounded  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Open   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| <b>Totals</b>  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0      |
| <b>Reported Sexual Abuse (Inmate on Staff)</b>       |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |        |
| Substantiated  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Unsubstantiated                                      |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Unfounded  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Open   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| <b>Totals</b>  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0      |
| <b>Reported Sexual Harassment (Staff on Inmate)</b>  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |        |
| Substantiated  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Unsubstantiated                                      |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Unfounded  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Open   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| <b>Totals</b>  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0      |
| <b>Reported Sexual Harassment (Inmate on Inmate)</b> |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |        |
| Substantiated  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Unsubstantiated                                      |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Unfounded  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Open   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| <b>Totals</b>  | 0   | 0   | 0   |     |     |     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 2   | 0   | 0   | 0      |
| <b>Reported Sexual Harassment (Inmate on Staff)</b>  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |        |
| Substantiated  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Unsubstantiated                                      |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Unfounded  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| Open   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0      |
| <b>Totals</b>  | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0      |
| <b>TOTALS</b>  | 0   | 1   | 0   |     |     |     | 1   | 0   |     | 3   | 0   | 0   | 5      |

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