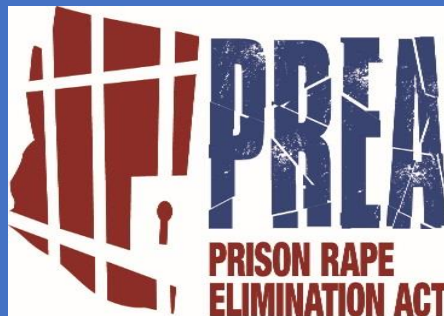


**ANNUAL PREA REPORT  
2021**

**MARICOPA COUNTY JUVENILE  
PROBATION DEPARTMENT**



**DURANGO JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER  
3131 WEST DURANGO STREET  
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# **JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT**

## **Maricopa County**

### **Annual PREA Report Durango Detention Center 2021**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) was signed into law in 2003 by President George W. Bush to eliminate sexual abuse and sexual harassment in confinement facilities. As defined by PREA, confinement facilities include prisons, jails, lockups, community confinement facilities and juvenile facilities. The objective of PREA is for facilities to establish a Zero Tolerance Policy for sexual abuse and sexual harassment and to educate facilities on how to prevent, detect and respond to sexual abuse.

Providing sexual safety for juveniles in our care is a priority for the Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department (MCJPD) Detention Facility. We maintain the integrity of our PREA Compliance by ensuring proper training, data review and quality assurance, and continuous improvements.

#### **TRAINING**

MCJPD provides PREA education programs to juveniles, and certified training to all detention staff, contractors, and volunteers. PREA Trainers are certified through the Arizona Supreme Court Administrative Office of the Court (AOC). All PREA Education and Training is developed to provide the tools necessary to report, prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

#### **DATA REVIEW**

The goal of MCJPD is to establish an environment where sexual safety is prioritized and is demonstrated in our policies, procedures, daily practices, education, and culture. Therefore, MCJPD annually reviews data per PREA Standard 115.388, Data Review for Corrective Action to determine the effectiveness of our policies, practices, and training to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse. MCJPD annually reports data to the Department of Justice for the Survey of Sexual Victimization (formerly Survey of Sexual Violence) Statistics.

Maricopa County Juvenile Detention Services PREA Statistics											
Statistics based on the Survey of Sexual Victimization submitted to the Department of Justice											
In accordance with PREA Standard 115.387 Data Collection											
Target Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021		
Daily average of youth held in the facility during the target year	163	150	133	163	171	162	186	148	110		
<b>During the target year, how many non-consensual youth on youth sexual acts were reported?</b>	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0		
How many were substantiated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
How many were unsubstantiated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
How many were unfounded	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0		
<b>During the target year, how many allegations of youth on youth sexual abuse were reported?</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0		
How many were substantiated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
How many were unsubstantiated	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0		
How many were unfounded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0		
<b>During the target year, how many allegations of youth on youth allegations of sexual harassment were reported?</b>	0	0	2	4	1	0	3	0	0		
How many were substantiated	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0		
How many were unsubstantiated	0	0	1	3	1	0	1	0	0		
How many were unfounded	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0		
<b>During the target yer how many allegations of staff sexual misconduct were reported?</b>	1	0	2	4	1	3	0	4	1		
How many were substantiated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		
How many were unsubstantiated	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0		
How many were unfounded	1	0	1	3	1	3	0	3	0		
<b>During the target year how many allegations of staff harassment were reported?</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1		
How many were substantiated			0	0	0	0	0	0	1		
How many were unsubstantiated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
How many were unfounded	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0		

Sexual victimization definitions per the Department of Justice Survey of Sexual Victimization are as follows:

**NONCONSENSUAL SEXUAL ACTS:** Sexual contact of any person without his or her consent, or of a person who is unable to consent or refuse; AND Contact between the penis and the vulva or the penis and the anus, including penetration, however slight; OR Contact between the mouth and the penis, vulva, or anus; OR Penetration of the anal or genital opening of another person, however slight, by a hand, finger, object, or other instrument.

**ABUSIVE SEXUAL CONTACT (less severe):** Sexual contact of any person without his or her consent, or of a person who is unable to consent or refuse; AND Intentional touching, either directly or through the clothing, of the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or buttocks of any person. EXCLUDE incidents in which the contact was incidental to a physical altercation.

**SEXUAL HARASSMENT BY ANOTHER YOUTH:** Repeated and unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or verbal comments, gestures, or actions of a derogatory or offensive sexual nature by one youth directed toward another.

**STAFF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT:** Any behavior or act of a sexual nature directed toward a youth by an employee, volunteer, contractor, official visitor or other agency representative (exclude family, friends or other visitors). Sexual relationships of a romantic nature between staff and youths are included in this definition. Consensual or

nonconsensual sexual acts include— Intentional touching, either directly or through the clothing, of the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or buttocks that is unrelated to official duties or with intent to abuse, arouse, or gratify sexual desire; OR Completed, attempted, threatened, or requested sexual acts; OR Occurrences of indecent exposure, invasion of privacy, or staff voyeurism for reasons unrelated to official duties or for sexual gratification.

**STAFF SEXUAL HARASSMENT:** Repeated verbal comments or gestures of a sexual nature to a youth by an employee, volunteer, contractor, official visitor, or other agency representative (exclude family, friends, or other visitors). Include demeaning references to gender; or sexually suggestive or derogatory comments about body or clothing; OR Repeated profane or obscene language or gestures.

All reports of abuse and harassment are thoroughly investigated by trained investigators to determine if the incidents are substantiated, unsubstantiated or unfounded. Substantiated cases of abuse and harassment are submitted for Administrative and Criminal investigation.

### **Continuous Improvements to preventing and detecting sexual misconduct**

Through our review and analysis of data, MCJPD identifies areas for improvement and will take the necessary steps to ensure the safety needs of juveniles and staff are being met.

MCJPD has taken the following actions to improve the safety of the facility and the juveniles in our care.

- Began project to upgrade our video capabilities in the facility including addressing blind spots, visual quality, and coverage.
- Reviewed physical plant, and procedures regarding areas with limited visibility.
- Created a Quality Assurance Unit to assist the facility with monitoring the effectiveness of its policies, procedures and PREA education for both juveniles and staff through routine audits.
- Engaged certified PREA Auditor to audit the Durango Detention Facility, 3131 W. Durango, Phoenix, Az 85009, during the calendar year of 2022.
- Redesigned the juvenile PREA Education Video.
- Revised the PREA Handbook which is on each housing unit to include:
  - Arizona Revised Statutes
  - Mandatory Reporting Responsibilities
- Converted the Intake Safety Assessment to an electronic format that is held within our electronic health records system.

- Improved PREA Training by:
  - Increased training on LGBTQ+ policies, procedures, best practices, and sensitivity for staff in both in person and online PREA Training
  - Increased emphasis on mandated reporting
  - Certified more PREA trainers through the AOC
  
- Improved our practices for LGBTQ+ juveniles as they are at a higher risk for bullying, harassment, and physical or sexual assault.
  - Identify youth who identify as LGBTQ+ at intake to ensure proper housing decisions and comfort of the juvenile
  - Meeting with the juvenile early in detainment to develop a specialized care plan with the PREA staff and integrated health team.
  - Enhanced training for staff on LGBTQ+ topics

### **Contact Us**

MCJPD has a zero-tolerance policy for sexual harassment and sexual abuse in its detention facility. If you have information or questions related to PREA, please contact us at:

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