



Bradford County
Sheriff's Office
Corrections Bureau
Annual Comparison Report for 2023 and 2024

The Corrections Bureau of the Bradford County Sheriff's Office has a zero-tolerance policy for sexual assault, sexual battery, sexual misconduct and sexual harassment of inmates or staff. All such incidents and allegations are documented, investigated for follow up. Every effort is made to provide all inmate/detainees with a safe, humane, and secure environment, free from the threat of sexual assault/battery and staff sexual misconduct/harassment. All complaints of attempted sexual assault/battery, sexual assault/battery and staff misconduct/harassment shall be promptly and thoroughly investigated by the appropriate authorities. Information regarding a sexual assault/battery or sexual misconduct/harassment shall be only disclosed to those who need to know for the purpose of investigation, decision making, and/or prosecution.

In accordance with the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Standards 115.88, collected and aggregated data related to PREA allegations at the Bradford County Jail have been utilized to initiate this report. The purpose of this report is to provide a comparison of the 2022 and 2023 data and discuss progress in addressing sexual abuse.

The year 2023 had nine complaints of inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment that were investigated with one determined to be unsustained and eight as unfounded. The allegations of PREA related incidents were investigated by proper authorities who made the determination of findings. The Corrections Bureau continued to monitor and enhance safety and security within the jail to include continued staff and inmate training, review of forms and PREA alert button function ability as well as adjustment or updates of video monitoring system cameras and monitors as needed.

In 2024, there was one staff sexual harassment complaint and four inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment complaints with all determined to be unfounded with no sustained or unsustained incidents. The Corrections Bureau and PREA Review Committee discussed and evaluated the policies, physical facility, monitoring, staffing, inmate dynamics, possible motivations and other factors as outlined by PREA Standard 115.86 to ensure continued safety and security within the jail. As a result of the review for the one unsustained finding for inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment, no specific changes were determined as needed.

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For the year 2024, Bradford County Jail video monitoring system cameras and monitors were either replaced or adjusted as needed, staff received more PREA information/training, inmate training videos were updated on the television information loop that is played at programmed times, a PREA alert button was made available through the inmate phone kiosk/tablets and all forms utilized for PREA purpose were reviewed.

Allegation Type	Year	Sustained	Un-sustained	Unfounded	On-Going	Total
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Abuse	2023	0	0	0	0	0
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Abuse	2024	0	0	0	0	0
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment	2023	0	1	8	0	9
Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment	2024	0	0	3	0	3
Staff Sexual Misconduct	2023	0	0	0	0	0
Staff Sexual Misconduct	2024	0	0	1	0	1
Staff Sexual Harassment	2023	0	0	0	0	0
Staff Sexual Harassment	2024	0	0	1	0	1
Grand Total	2023	0	1	8	0	9
Grand Total	2024	0	0	5	0	5


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