

**GOB Citizens' Advisory Committee
Project Update
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Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department

I. Department Overview

The Miami-Dade County Corrections and Rehabilitation Department is the sixth largest jail system in the country. On average, the Department has nearly seven thousand (7,000) persons incarcerated in its seven (7) detention facilities located throughout the County. These persons are awaiting trial, serving sentences of 364 days or less, or being held for such agencies as the State Department of Corrections, Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, etc. There are also nineteen hundred (1,900) persons on Pre-Trial Release and another three hundred fifty (350) persons on some form of supervised community control. Over 100,000 arrestees are processed annually. Because the detention facilities are different generation designs, and are all operating above rated capacity, the organization must constantly adapt to a changing environment.

II. Facility Overview

Turner Guilford Knight Correctional Center (TGKCC)

The Turner Guilford Knight Correctional Center is a full service, third generation facility, which houses maximum, medium and minimum custody level male and female inmates. This multi-story building has an authorized bed capacity of 1,000. The facility is designed with 1,000 single cells and a common area which accommodates almost all inmate needs such as visiting, interviews with attorneys, counseling, recreation and dining within the living unit. There are two maximum-security units for up to 98 inmates and one medical unit for 32 inmates. The facility also has four units that can accommodate 192 male juvenile custody inmates. TGKCC is the only facility within the West Dade area that engages in the full scope of booking, releasing, and processing inmates. It also has a kitchen that provides meals for approximately 5,200 inmates three times per day at the Metro West Detention Center, Training and Treatment Center and Boot Camp Program.

Metro West Detention Center (MWDC)

The Metro-West Detention Center, located in West Dade, houses maximum, medium and minimum custody level inmates. It has an authorized bed capacity of 2,234. This limited third generation facility is the largest in the Miami-Dade County jail system with 36 dormitories designed to house 64 inmates per unit. There are two Special Management Units.

Pre-Trial Detention Center (PTDC)

The Pre-Trial Detention Center is located in Miami's Civic Center Area. With an authorized bed capacity of 1,400, this facility houses maximum, medium and minimum custody level inmates, and close custody psychiatric inmates. This facility contains first, second and third generation jail space. Staff conducts booking as a part of reception and diagnostics and inmate processing at PTDC. This detention center serves as a staging area for all inmates in the Department who attend court. During the week, 500 inmates a day pass through the facility on their way to court. The Pre-Trial Detention Center is the main release point for inmates leaving the system. This facility's kitchen provides meals for approximately 2,100 inmates three times per day for PTDC and Women's Detention Center inmates.

Training & Treatment Center (TTC)

The Training and Treatment Center was established in 1953 by the City of Miami. It became part of the Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department in 1971. The multifaceted, campus-style facility rests on 13 acres in West Dade and houses maximum, medium and minimum custody level male inmates. It has an authorized bed capacity of 822. Sentenced County inmates housed in this facility.

Women's Detention Center (WDC)

The Women's Detention Center, located in downtown Miami, has an authorized bed capacity of 203. It houses maximum, medium and minimum custody levels. Female adults and those juvenile offenders, who are bound over as adults, are housed at this facility. Meals for this inmate population are provided by the Pre-Trial Detention Center's kitchen. This detention facility is accredited by the American Correctional Association (ACA)

North Dade Community Corrections Center (NDCCC)

The North Dade Community Corrections Center supervises and monitors offenders ordered to the program by the court. It has an authorized bed capacity of 180 and houses minimum security sentenced work release, day reporting and weekender clients. It provides electronic and day reporting supervision primarily to pretrial and sentenced clients to ensure compliance with conditions of release.

Boot Camp Program (BCP)

The Boot Camp Program is the Department's only paramilitary residential detention facility, located on the site adjacent to the Training and Treatment Center. The facility has an authorized bed Florida Model Jail Standards (FMJS) rated capacity of 156 inmates. Three phases comprise the curriculum: the Boot Camp Detention, the Work Release Program, and the Aftercare Program. Program objectives focus on the reduction of jail overcrowding and the recidivism rate among youthful offenders, ages 14 to 28. This detention facility is accredited by the American Correctional Association (ACA).

III. Building Better Community General Obligation Bond Projects

The mainstay of future development for the Corrections and Rehabilitation Department have been placed on efforts to develop a site that will provide for jail bed expansion needs, and a facility that would address the intake function. The major site for additional beds is known as the Krome Detention Complex.

GOB 194 - Krome Detention Complex

The Krome Detention property consists of a 115-acre site located at S.W. 187 Avenue and S.W. 8th Street. This was surplus federal land granted to the county with the proviso that it be only used for correctional purposes. This site was master planned for development and growth in phases. The first phase completed in 1996 was the construction of a water line six miles long and a sewer line seven miles long connected to an on site regional pumping station. The second phase consisted of de-mucking, mining and infill of 1.4 million cubic yards of rock to provide 70 buildable acres at 11 feet above sea level. These infrastructure projects were completed in 1999, at a cost of 25 million dollars. Since that time 15 acres were leased to the State of Florida for the development of a juvenile detention facility.

The County has a remaining 55 buildable acres. The site is now ready for the next phase consisting of construction of support facilities and buildings that will house approximately 2,000 inmate beds and on-site infrastructure to support a build out of up to 9,000 beds.

The initial phase of construction will include a full service facility that is intended to help alleviate the overcrowding. For example, the average in jail population for February 2006 exceeded the total authorized bed capacity by 667 inmates, with an additional 190 inmates being monitored electronically who would have to be accommodated should they need to be returned to custody. This facility will be designed to allow for future expansion of inmate housing in order to address the Department's growth requirements.

GOB - 195 - Pre-Trial Detention Center (PTDC)

The second project is the code requirement of a 40-year re-certification and renovation of the Pre-Trial Detention Center. This project will encompass refurbishing the entire facility to include intake areas, security systems, clinic, kitchen, inmate housing, air-conditioning, windows, and major building infrastructure components. This renovation will reconfigure the building in order to better serve the needs of the inmate processing and movement function vital to support the criminal justice system.

Project Status

Planning for both of these projects has already begun and the projects are anticipated to run concurrently. A request to advertise (RTA) for each project has been submitted to the Office of Strategic Business Management (OSBM) for Architectural/Engineering Design Services to develop construction cost estimates, feasibility studies and specifications to facilitate the design of the new facility and the renovations of the existing facility. Meetings have been held to discuss and finalize the RTA's.