



## **BLUE RIDGE REGIONAL JAIL AUTHORITY**

### **Sexual Violence 2015 Annual Report for Lynchburg Adult Detention Center**

Data included in this report is from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015

Inmates confined in LADC on December 31, 2015 were 299 males and 83 females. During 2015, new admissions to the jail were 2789 male and 1132 female. The average daily population at LADC in 2015 was 334 males and 86 females.

#### **Inmate on Inmate Sexual Violence**

The categories of inmate on inmate sexual violence are reported separately and are:

##### **Non-consensual acts:**

- 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 vagina or the penis and the anus including penetration; or
- Contact between the mouth and the penis, vagina, or anus; or
- Penetration of the anal or genital opening of another person by hand, finger, or other object.

##### **Abusive Sexual Contacts:**

- Contact of any person without 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, excluding contact incidental to a physical altercation.

The Blue Ridge Regional Jail Records all allegations of inmate on inmate sexual violence.

There were zero (0) allegations of inmate on inmate Non-consensual acts during this period.

There were two (2) allegations of inmate on inmate Abusive Sexual Contact during this period. The two allegations were thoroughly and objectively investigated and determined to be unfounded meaning there was no evidence that the allegations occurred.

## **Staff Sexual Misconduct and Harassment**

Staff Sexual Misconduct and Harassment includes any behavior or act of a sexual nature directed toward an inmate by an employee, volunteer, contractor, official visitor, or other agency representative, and includes two categories which are reported separately and defined as follows:

### **Staff Sexual Misconduct / consensual or non-consensual acts including:**

- Intentional touching of the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or buttocks with the intent to 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 sexual gratification.

### **Staff Sexual Harassment includes:**

- Repeated verbal statements or comments of a sexual nature to an inmate by an employee, volunteer, contractor, official visitor, or other agency representative;
- Demeaning references to gender or derogatory comments about body or clothing; or
- Repeated profane or obscene language or gestures.

The Blue Ridge Regional Jail Records all allegations of Staff Sexual Misconduct and Sexual Harassment.

There were two (2) allegations of Staff Sexual Misconduct during this period. One of which was determined to be unfounded, meaning after a thorough and objective investigation there was no evidence to prove that the allegation occurred. The other was turned over to an outside agency. This allegation was investigated by the Lynchburg Police Department and was forwarded for criminal prosecution. The outcome of this case is yet to be determined by the Court.

There were zero (0) allegations of Staff Sexual Harassment during this period.

A review was conducted by the PREA incident review committee assembled to discuss our current PREA procedures, staffing plan, prior incidents, video monitoring capabilities, available resources and previous allegations. The committee determined that our current policies and procedures are sufficient in addressing the issue of sexual abuse in our facility. The Lynchburg Adult Detention Center received a 100% on its PREA Audit in 2015.

### **Corrected History (To Accurately Reflect Information From Prior Annual Reports):**

Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2014 there were zero (0) allegations of inmate on inmate non-consensual acts.

Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2014 there was one (1) allegation of inmate on inmate abusive sexual contact.

Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2014 there was one (1) allegation of staff sexual misconduct.

Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2014 there were two (2) allegations of staff sexual harassment.

Supplemental: As it pertains to the one allegation of Staff Sexual Misconduct forwarded for criminal prosecution, the former Staff member involved was acquitted in 2016 although the agency considered the allegation to be substantiated.