

Warden's Report
June 2024

Warden Laura Williams mentioned the following:

Monthly Statistics –June 2024:

- Current population: as of 6/11/24: 1,243 incarcerated persons (an increase of 21 from last month's meeting)
- Weekender Program:
 - There were 12 Weekender participants in May (last month was 12)
 - 9 of the 12 were "first timers"
 - 3 were female
- Total commitments in May: 590 commitments (last month there were 573)
 - May 2023: 521
 - May 2022: 537
- Total discharges in May: 569 (last month was 564)
 - May 2023: 561
 - May 2022: 527
- Recreation – Full recreation was provided unless otherwise indicated:
 - 5/1/24 - 1st Shift: Unit 7 search
 - 5/9/24 - 1st Shift: 6A modified recreation
 - 5/12/24 - 2nd Shift: 7A modified recreation
 - 5/19/24 - 2nd Shift: 10B modified recreation
 - 5/20-5/24/24 - Both Shifts: 7A and 10B tier recreation (5/20/24: 2nd Shift – Unit 7 no recreation)
 - 5/25-5/26/24 - Both Shifts: 7A tier recreation
 - 5/29/24 - 1st Shift: 9A tier recreation
 - 5/30/24 - 1st Shift: 7A no recreation
 - 5/31/24 - 2nd Shift: 5B no recreation

Major Incidences:

An assault between incarcerated individuals where treatment at an offsite treatment location was required due to lacerations on face on Friday, May 20th. Patient was admitted, treated, and discharged on May 21st. This case has been referred to CID for criminal prosecution.

Point in Time: Census Snapshot: May 1, 2024, at 1200 hours:

	5/1/2024
Total	1220
Total Male	1078
Percentage Male	88.36%
Total Female	142
Percentage Female	11.64%
Total Sentenced	146
Sentenced Males	128
Sentenced Females	18
Percentage Sentenced	11.97%
Total Pre-Trial	1074
Percentage Pre-Trial	88.03%

Behavioral Health Statistics:

There were 758 individuals diagnosed with AMI (any mental illness) 61.33% of the current population. The data includes any person with at least 1 diagnosis within the DSM-V-TR (unduplicated patient number). There were 414 individuals diagnosed with SMI (serious mental illness) 33.50% of the population. SMI includes the following specific diagnoses with a moderate-severe expression: Major Depressive Disorder, Bipolar Disorder, Schizophrenia, Schizoaffective Disorder, OCD, Panic Disorder, PTSD and Borderline Personality Disorder.

Restoration to Competency:

There were 3 patients enrolled in the RTC program with 6 individuals enrolled in partial services. On Wednesday, May 15th Dr. Marc Gramatges saw his first restored to competency from the prison. This person had a diagnosis of intellectual disability. Literature showed an expected restoration time of 6 months. The program at was done in 2 months at George W. Hill Correctional Facility. Dr. Gramatges commended the team.

Training Academy:

There was one graduation on June 7th since last month's meeting. The graduation included a class of 6 officers who were sworn in by Honorable Judge Stephanie Kline. A new class began on May 28th with the next graduation scheduled for Wednesday, July 3rd Actively recruiting for next class to begin on Monday, June 24th.

Employee of the Month:

The following employees were selected in June: Roger Joseph – ViaPath Analyst and Registered Nurse Lynn Milano. Supervisor of the Month was Training Instructor Damon Loadholt. Incentives include parking in the employee of the month designated space, recognition amongst staff and a certificate.

Aramark and Dietary Services:

The current In2Work Program will begin on Thursday, June 13th with a class of 10 students.

Continued Challenges:

- Full renovation of kitchen remains open with no projected start date identified.
- Equipment is failing more regularly, and replacement equipment must occur
- This requires the dietary company to attempt to modify diets routinely due to equipment being down and being unable to facilitate the menu as directed

Increasing Efficiency – Payroll System:

George W. Hill Correctional Facility was one of the first county departments that began utilizing UKG/Kronos for timekeeping purposes in April of 2022. Over the last 2 months the facility has been working to increase efficiency with records and processing of payroll. This helps to reduce the use of paper forms. It automates the process of vacation selection, as well as identify areas of opportunity. Several departments are assisting in the piloting or testing features within UKG. The goal is to increase employee access to their timesheet/payroll records to identify if there are any errors that can be corrected prior to payroll being completed.

Capital Improvements and Projects:

Roof Replacement of the Administration Building: County Council approved the design/build contract during the March 6th meeting. The contract is in progress with Tremco/WTI. Work will begin once the contract is executed. The original anticipated target was May 2024. The estimated start date of the project is August 12th.

Roof Repair and HVAC replacement of secure facility: HVAC units are at end of life and require replacement. Construction is anticipated for 2025, due to lead times of materials.

Electronic Security and Surveillance Project: BSI, Construction Management Firm has been identified and a draft contract is in review. Future tasks will be to review drawings, complete a constructability review, finalize an independent cost estimate, and advertise/bid the project. Construction is anticipated to begin end of 2024-2026. A walk thru was completed on Friday, June 7th.

Kitchen Renovation: Construction Management Firm, BSI will complete a review of the schematic design drawings. New schedule to be developed with tentative start date in 2025-2026.

HVAC Impacts:

George W. Hill is taking the opportunity to reinforce measures to address the HVAC units that are well beyond their life expectancy. This capital improvement project has not been resourced or fulfilled. The project is being bid out but there is still an estimated 12–14-month lead time before the units will be available. To monitor, temperatures are taken of the housing and control rooms throughout the facility. With warmer temperatures (above 75 degrees) airflow is increased with industrial fans, ice sent to the unit, increased recreation, and monitoring for those with medical conditions that may be at risk. Currently working to secure quotes for Unit 7 and Unit 8. Repairs are estimated to be \$55,000 for parts, labor, and an additional charge for the use of a crane. Warden Williams is hopeful that the Jail Oversight Board would allow the advancement of all emergency repairs through County Purchasing, the Executive Director's office and/or County Council without requiring independent votes for each unit as they are projected to continue to fail until fully replaced.

Motion made by Mr. Corson for the JOB to offer standing approval for emergency repairs of the HVAC system without interference or delay and upon notification or email, as well as a proposed solution. Motion was seconded by Sheriff Sanders and carried unanimously.

Electronic Security and Surveillance Project:

Locks: Enforcement of policies and procedures to secure doors must improve on housing units. When doors are unsecured, there is an opportunity for jams/lock manipulation that may require repair or full replacement.

Control Systems: Master Control – equipment is obsolete and in need of replacement. Unit control panels – equipment is also obsolete and in need of full replacement. Outdated electrical systems – several outages have been experienced throughout the facility within the last 2 years which require for modifications to recreation.

Showers: Walls are deteriorating in some places. The showers are cleaned frequently however, the poor ventilation in these areas is a satisfactory environment for mildew and bacteria to grow. Plumbing issues are extensive.

Maintenance Department: This department is currently operating with 4 full time vacancies. The Maintenance Department and the facility have been under resourced and are working at a deficit with the volume of deferred maintenance projects.

Cost Recovery Items –May 2024:

May 2024	Monthly	YTD	Prior Year Total
Deposits to General Fund			
Processing Fee	\$23,088.11	\$103,707.02	\$231,668.58
Damage to Prison Property	\$215.01	\$2,817.51	\$5,603.69
Medical Visits	\$555.97	\$2,324.49	\$7,293.99
Postage	\$0.00	\$17.34	\$28.34
Vending Commissions	\$576.60	\$10,365.37	\$33,518.51
Total Funds Recovered	\$24,435.69	\$108,866.33	\$244,594.60
Deposits to Inmate Welfare			
Under \$1.00	\$1.66	\$23.07	\$47.83
Interest Income	\$13,895.51	\$66,730.17	\$113,855.18
Commissary Commissions	\$29,316.92	\$210,497.77	\$543,219.88
Total Funds	\$43,214.09	\$277,251.01	\$657,122.89
Balance of Inmate Welfare Fund as of 5-31-2024	\$4,120,710.34		

Programs and Support Updates:

Case Management: Warden Williams welcomed new Case Manager Speed. The facility is seeking 3 additional case managers, as well as a Wellness Instructor and a Volunteer Services Coordinator.

Chaplaincy Department: In partnership with Delaware County NA Hospitals and institutions, George W. Hill Correctional Facility began a Narcotics Anonymous group held weekly on Thursday, May 16th. There were 117 participants during the month of May.

PA Center of Excellence:

In 2016 Governor Tom Wolfe introduced the Centers for Excellence for Opioid Use Disorder (COE) as one solution to the growing overdose crisis within the state of Pennsylvania, as well as a solution to the barrier of engaging and retaining clients with Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) in treatment. The PA Department of Human Services selected 45 centers. COEs were designed to engage the community to identify all persons with OUD and make sure everyone with OUD achieves optimal health. George W. Hill met with two PA Centers of Excellence agencies for partnership and collaboration. AIDS Care Group meeting was held on Sunday, May 5th and the American Treatment Network (ATN) meeting was held on Wednesday, May 15th.

COE AIDS Care Group:

AIDS Care Group is a non-profit organization that provides medical care, dental care, and social services to the uninsured and underinsured. AIDS Care Group is one of the largest and most comprehensive fully dedicated HIV/AIDS service providers in Southeastern Pennsylvania. They also provide wrap around services for co-occurring SUD disorder. As a PA COE in a battle against the opioid epidemic, AIDS Care Group uses a variety of MAT to aid returning citizens in their recovery and continuum of care.

COE American Treatment Network:

American Treatment Network (ATN) is integrated health care for patient's physical and behavioral needs in one central location and provides the follow up support necessary to conquer or defeat opioid and alcohol addiction. The center has comprehensive case management services delivery focusing on Social Determinates of Health as well as physical and behavioral. ATN provides Intense Outpatient (IOP), Partial Hospital (PHP) and Medicated Assisted Treatment Services (MAT).

BJA FY 2024 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant and Substance Use Program (COSSUP): George W. Hill is reapplying for the BJA FY24 COSSUP grant and will follow the process for the Executive Director's Office/County Council to further approve the application for funds. The current COSSUP grant was awarded to Delaware County in 2022 under Delco Health and Human Services will expire on September 30, 2024. Total funding for FY BJA is \$127,300.00. The maximum award is \$1.6 million for a 36-month project period beginning 10/1/24, with no county match required. COSSUP funding provides necessary resources that allow communities to reduce overdose deaths, promote public safety and support services. The application is due by Monday, July 1st

Reentry updates:

First Step (Workforce Development Program): completed the 14th cohort for women's group on Thursday, May 16th. There were 8 participants who had signed up for the class. There were 2 who had successfully completed the program. The 15th cohort for the men's group began on Tuesday, May 28th. There were 8 male participants. There were 5 participants currently enrolled. In total, there were 71 participants who had successfully completed the program. There were 5 people who returned to George W. Hill. There were 58 who have not returned to the facility; there were 8 who have not been released. There is an 8% recidivism rate.

Delaware County Reentry Program (DCRP): PHMC is a non-profit public health institute committed to providing pre-release (30 days) and post release (60 days) reentry services. As of Monday, June 3rd there were 13 participants enrolled in the program. There were 2 participants who have been released. PHMC hired two additional Reentry Case Managers and a Peer Specialist.

Maternity Care Coalition (MCC): Maternity Care Coalition was on site on Tuesday, May 7th to engage the female population and enroll new participants. There were 10 additional women enrolled in services. Upon completion of volunteer training, MCC will administer a women's parenting support group.

Veterans Employment Project: Delaware County Workforce Development Board will partner with the Delaware County Veterans and Military Affairs Department to reach veterans and their spouses to help them overcome barriers to employment and secure meaningful full or part-time work. During May, Delco Veterans Employment Project provided individual information sessions to 8 veterans, including 1 female. Enrollments will continue until June 30th.

Financial Literacy Workshop: Widener University Professors and Chester Partnership for Safer Neighborhoods (CPSN) collaborated to administer a financial literacy workshop to enhance fiscal accountability regarding debt responsibility, investment, budgeting, and personal financial management. There were 26 participants.

Thresholds: A decision making and soft skills program. There were 14 participants.

GWH Reentry Case Manager: engaged with the sentenced population to determine community needs after discharge. An individual packet of community resources is provided prior to release. There were 14 participants.

Drug and Alcohol Liaisons: Delaware County Adult Probation and Parole serve the substance use population to include referrals to inpatient treatment facilities and continuum of care. There were 75 releases to treatment in May.

EVOVO Electronic Courses: There were 215 e-courses completed in the month of May