

Washington County Juvenile Detention Center
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Joseph Wood
Washington County Judge

Memo

To: Judge Joseph Wood
From: Denyse Collins, Director
CC: Chief Carl Gales, Patricia Burnett, Norma Frisby, Kendrick Sexton
Date: April 02, 2020
Re: Juvenile Detention Monthly Statistics Report, March 2020

Please find attached the following statistical reporting for the Washington County Juvenile Detention Center for the month of March 2020:

- Daily population count
- Detention comparisons for 2019 and 2020
- Totals and averages
- Average daily population for March: 27.19
- Number of transports: 13

Washington County Juvenile Detention Center Daily Population Count for March 2020

The information contained within this report was developed using the center's daily population count forms, which were designed to provide the Juvenile Court staff with daily population information.

March 2020

01 Population 35	02 Population 35	03 Population 33	04 Population 32	05 Population 34	06 Population 36	07 Population 34
08 Population 35	09 Population 36	10 Population 33	11 Population 29	12 Population 28	13 Population 24	14 Population 21
15 Population 23	16 Population 26	17 Population 24	18 Population 24	19 Population 26	20 Population 25	21 Population 23
22 Population 23	23 Population 23	24 Population 21	25 Population 22	26 Population 22	27 Population 20	28 Population 20
29 Population 20	30 Population 21	31 Population 18				
				Day of the Month	Daily Population	

Washington County Juvenile Detention Center Detention Data Comparisons

The following information is a comparison of detention data elements for the month of March for 2019 and 2020.

Statistical Information	2019	2020
Average number of intakes per day	1.68	0.97
Number of intakes (total for period)	52	30
Number of days of detention (total for period)	474	258
Average age	15.77	15.57
Average length of stay	9.12	8.60

Top Five Offenses Used for Detention			
2019		2020	
Offense	# of Intakes	Offense	# of Intakes
Theft by Receiving (Felony)	10	Battery-3 (Misdemeanor)	8
Battery-2 (Felony)	7	Controlled Substance Violation (Misdemeanor)	3
Controlled Substance Violation (Misdemeanor)	5	Probation Violation (Misdemeanor)	3
Violation of Terms & Conditions	5	Theft of Property (Misdemeanor)	3
Controlled Substance Violation (Felony)	4	Battery-2 (Felony)	2

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Totals and Averages

This report covers 31 days 3/1/2020 to 3/31/2020

The Avg. Daily Intake is 0.97

Intakes	30
Days of Detention	258
Average Age	15.57
Average Stay	8.60

Totals and Averages by County and Percentage of Facility Use

Start Date 3/1/2020 **End Date** 3/31/2020

This report covers 31 days

County	# Intakes	# Detention Days	Average Stay	Av. Daily Intake	Percentage of Total Days
Washington	30	258	8.60	0.97	100.00 %
	30	258	8.60	0.97	100.00 %

Totals and Averages by Court

Court	# of Intakes	# of Days	Avg. Stay
Juvenile	29	258	8.90
Interstate C	1	0	0.00

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County	# Intakes	# Detention Days	Average Stay	Av. Daily Intake	Percentage of Total Days
Madison	4	21	5.25	0.13	4.43 %
Washington	48	453	9.44	1.55	95.57 %
	52	474	9.12	1.68	100.00 %

Totals and Averages by Court

Court	# of Intakes	# of Days	Avg. Stay
Juvenile	51	465	9.12
Circuit	1	9	9.00

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The following information shows the average daily population over the past six months, October 2019 to March 2020.

Average Daily Population						
	October 2019	November 2019	December 2019	January 2020	February 2020	March 2020
Total admits	109	99	96	89	69	63
Total days	853	661	600	731	941	843
Average daily population	27.52	22.03	19.35	23.58	32.45	27.19

March 2020	
Sentenced	6
Currently Holding	6
4	Adult charged youth currently holding
0	FINS
3	DYS
2	Early release to treatment or other appropriate facility
1	CSTP
1	Sent to acute placement

Transports	
13	Transports
8	Transports in town
5	Out of town transports
6	Other agency transported/parent or legal guardian
7	JDC transports

Washington County Sheriff's Office

Activity Report

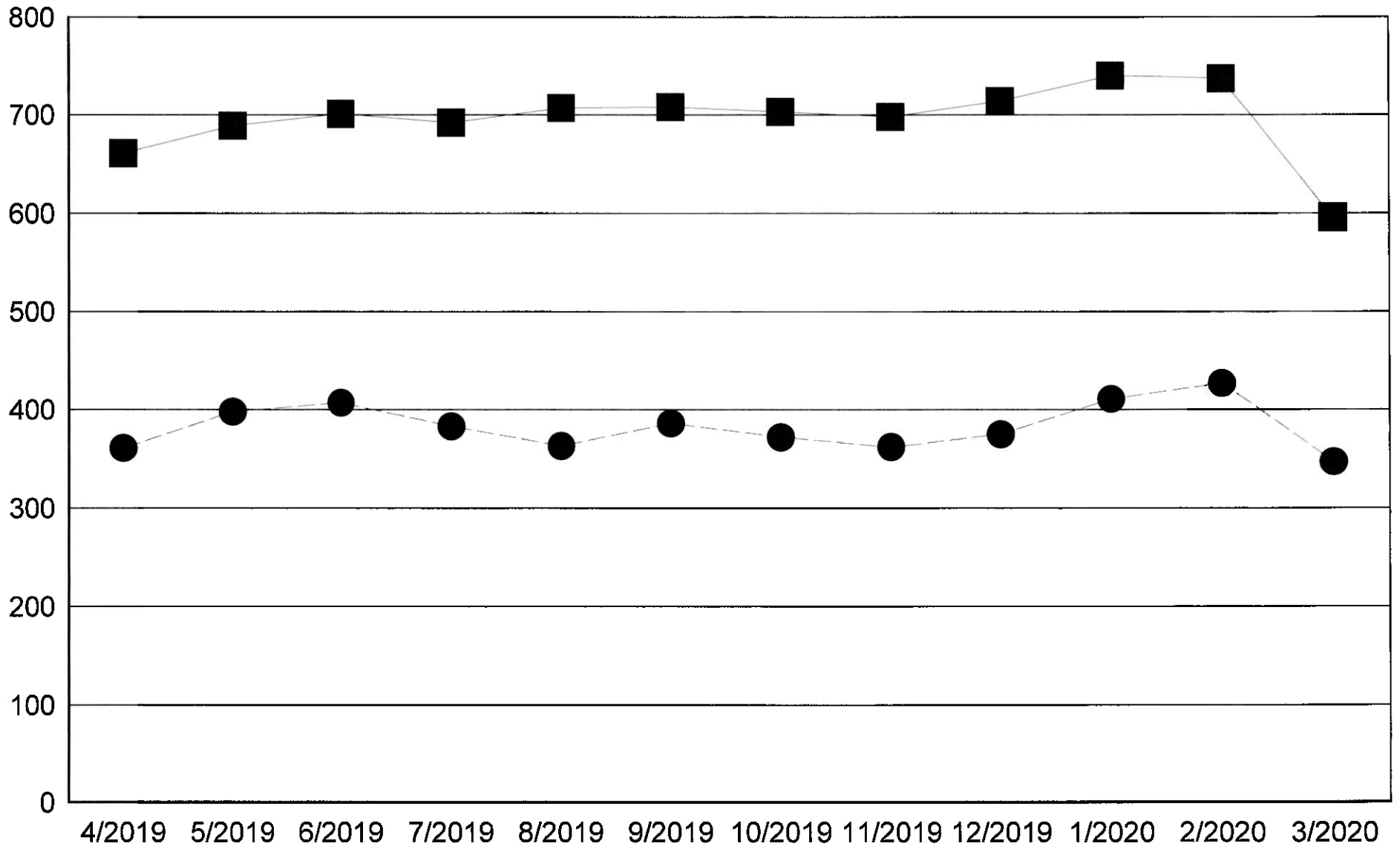
	<u>March</u>		<u>January-March</u>	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Patrol				
Calls for Service:	1,829	2,463	6,616	6,835
Animal Calls:	96	121	336	317
Civil Process				
Papers Entered:	259	415	910	956
No Charge:	181	301	646	672
Papers Served:	270	336	932	833
Service Attempts:	325	477	1,060	1,171
Warrants				
Warrants Entered:	490	471	1,723	1,722
Warrants Served:	426	937	1,635	2,278
Training				
Hours Trained:	5,326	4,367	13,746	12,777
Communications				
Regular Calls:	13,121	13,747	40,753	46,114
911 Calls:	654	599	1,790	1,769

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Activity Report

	<u>March</u>		<u>January-March</u>	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Detention				
Intakes:	829	1,116	3,044	3,156
Sent To Prison:	64	75	201	118
Daily Average:	616	693	697	681
Daily Average: (Female)	108	132	132	130
Detention Board Days				
State Prisoners:	2,617	4,035	8,314	11,448
	X \$30/day = \$ 78,510			
Federal Prisoners:	1,936	2,134	6,937	6,287
	X \$62/day = \$ 120,032			
Madison County:	611	744	2,637	2,009
	X \$63.12/day = \$ 38,566			
County Commits:	804	397	3,434	912
Pre-Trial:	10,782	11,434	35,943	34,511
All Detainees:	18,481	20,805	62,819	60,695
Outside Workers				
Community Service:	46	123	180	312
Transport				
Transport Miles:	32,488	33,911	98,575	110,158
In County:	874	1,021	3,118	2,996
Out of County:	142	202	461	518

Detention Pre-Trial vs Total Bed Count



309 INMATE	20	24	44
ADC PAROLE VIOLATED	2	1	3
ADC PAROLE VIOLATED 90 DAY	49	4	53
BACK FOR COURT	8	0	8
BODY ATTACHMENT	5	0	5
CIRCUIT COURT COMMIT	3	0	3
DISTRICT COURT COMMIT	9	0	9
FELONY PRETRIAL	107	17	124
FELONY PRETRIAL PC-PREARRAIGNMENT	33	1	34
IMMIGRATION HOLD -INS	2	0	2
MADISON COUNTY CONTRACT HOLD	7	4	11
MISD PRE TRIAL	8	3	11
NEW COMMITMENT TO ACC	6	5	11
NEW COMMITMENT TO ADC	2	2	4
OTHER AGENCY HOLD	2	0	2
OUT COUNT	4	0	4
PROBATION VIOLATION	17	0	17
US MARSHAL	49	8	57
WHITE WARRANT	19	2	21

High Count:	424
Female Count:	71
Intakes:	5
Booked In:	5
Released:	1
Year to Date Bookings:	3049
Sent to Prison:	0
State Prisoners:	71
Federal Prisoners:	59
Pre-Trial:	215
County Commit:	17
Work Release - Males:	38
Work Release - Females:	0
Pre-Booked:	1 Show
Restricted Bookings:	6 Show
Community Service:	40

Month	Bookings	Released		Total
		Sheriff's Order	OR	
January	1132	182	75	257
Feburary	1086	189	101	290
March	842	188	243	431
April				0
May				0
June				0
July				0
August				0
September				0
October				0
November				0
December				0
Total	3,060	559	419	978

WASHINGTON COUNTY JAIL OMBUDSMAN PROJECT

REPORT TO THE WASHINGTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT JAIL COMMITTEE, AND TO THE COUNTY JUDGE AND THE JUSTICES OF THE PEACE OF THE FULL QUORUM COURT FOR MARCH, 2020

**Submitted by Stanley E. Adelman
Washington County Jail Ombudsman
April 8, 2020**

1. Activities and lessons learned from recent weeks.

March was virtually a non-stop month for the Washington County Jail Ombudsman Project. Even though it became both prudent and necessary for the Project to cease in-person interviewing at the jail due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we continued and intensified our advocacy activities and our liaison activities across the State and County criminal justice system.

Significantly, I appeared before a meeting of the Fayetteville City Council on March 16 to discuss the coincident crises of dangerous jail overcrowding and the added extreme hazard to the whole community in the event of a COVID-19 outbreak at the jail. At that meeting time the Council unanimously approved a resolution proposed by Councilor Kyle Smith and drafted by the Fayetteville City Attorney with my participation, urging that the population of the Washington County Detention Center be responsibly reduced through the pretrial release of detainees charged with non-violent offenses, and that jail space be reserved primarily for defendants who are not demonstrably dangerous. A copy of that resolution, # 87-20, is attached to this report.

I am also pleased to report that in the past week, with the invaluable assistance of the Sheriff's Department, the Parole Board has released (or is in the process of releasing) from the jail approximately 33 jail detainees who had been detained on non-bondable parole violation warrants. We look forward to continuing to work in cooperation with the Parole Board and the Sheriff's Department in identifying parole violation detainees who can be responsibly released and restored to parole supervision if they do not present an apparent risk of violent behavior.

The Jail Ombudsman Project will continue our advocacy and activities for as long as we receive the vital budgetary support and the moral encouragement of the Quorum Court, without which we could not have accomplished any savings of bed space and tax dollars for the County. For this and future reports, we will no longer tally a monthly estimate of "bed-days" saved, but rather we will continue to monitor the County's pretrial detention population and conditions inside the jail, and we will track the progress and longer term success of recent release initiatives, such as releasing detainees subject to electronic monitoring.

Although none of the major reduction in jail population in the past month could have taken place as a result of our efforts alone, the Jail Ombudsman Project played a significant role in the crucial decisions by police, the Sheriff’s Department, judges, prosecutors, defense counsel, probation and parole officials, The Bail Project, and community advocates. These concerted efforts resulted in a dramatic reduction in the WCDC pretrial and probation detention population, from approximately 339 in mid-March to 186 as of April 6. This reduction has enabled the Sheriff’s Department to remove detainees from the extremely high-risk situation of sleeping on mattresses on floors, and should give the Sheriff’s Department some “breathing room” (literally) at the jail, and some capacity to isolate detainees who may be showing some possible symptoms of COVID-19 until they can be tested and further treatment decisions can be made.

As we have been saying all along, the **best** COVID-19 prevention for the jail, those who are confined there, those who work there, their families, and for the community as a whole, is the pretrial release of all defendants and detainees except for those who present a present a risk of violent behavior if released. Electronic monitoring of selected detainees seems, early on, to be a promising and cost-effective way to lower jail population to a manageable level, without unduly jeopardizing public safety. Further, the kinds of unattainable and unconstitutional “buried alive” bonds combined with long trial dates, which we have previously reported on and dramatically demonstrated to the Quorum Court in stark detail, have proven to be unsustainable practices and must now become a thing of the past. It has always been a matter of justice and of responsible population management – it is now, as well, a matter of health and even life-and-death to our community.

2. Looking forward.

As of the end of March, the Jail Ombudsman Project has spent or invoiced for just over two-thirds of its initial \$15,000 allocation from the Quorum Court. The following table shows our month-by-month expenditures, and the amount and percentage of that allocation still remaining:

<u>JAIL OMBUDSMAN PROJECT INVOICES JULY 2019 FORWARD</u>		
(Original \$15,000 Quorum Court appropriation)		
July/August 2019	\$ 450	
September 2019	1,515	
October 2019	1,290	
November 2019	1,005	
December 2019	990	
January 2020	990	
February 2020	1,200	
March 2020	2,685	
TOTAL INVOICED	\$ 10,125	67.5%
TOTAL REMAINING from appropriation	\$ 4,875	32.5%

Most likely, the original appropriation will sustain the Jail Ombudsman's operations approximately through the end of June.

I would be pleased to continue at that time, either as Jail Ombudsman or in a revised role, to track the results of recent releases of detainees via electronic monitoring, to propose further jail and criminal justice initiatives that will help bring about a more economical and effective, and fairer, criminal justice system in our County, and to be the "point person" for following up in the recommendations we receive from the National Center for State Courts later this year, to name just a few possibilities. In short, there is still much more work to be done with regard to the management of our jail population and the overall improvement of our county's criminal justice system, and I look forward to further discussions with the Justices of the Peace as to how I can best continue to be of service and assistance to the County going forward. I believe I can continue to perform these services as I have been privileged to do in the past 9 months, at minimal cost to the County even in these uncertain times.

My thanks again to the Committee and the full Quorum Court for your continued interest and support, and also, especially, for the extraordinary efforts in the past month of all concerned, to forestall and minimize as much as humanly possible the risk of a devastating outbreak of coronavirus infection in the jail.

Respectfully submitted,

Stan Adelman
Washington County Jail Ombudsman