

C.10 Correctional Facility Disturbances

Arizona State Prison – Phoenix West	
Incident	Contact
<u>May 21, 2000</u> – One inmate escaped during the recreation period. CSC subsequently reinforced the facility fence; moved the recreation/visitation officer post to an area that provide a more advantageous line of site; installed an additional camera to facilitate inmate supervision.	John Gay 1601 W Jefferson Phoenix, AZ 85007 (602) 542-1728
Dickens County Correctional Center – Spur, Texas	
Incident	Contact
<u>August 26, 1999</u> – One inmate on a 10-inmate community service work crew stationed at a local museum, walked away after going to the restroom. The inmate was recaptured on October 8, 1999. Staff have been instructed not to allow inmates to leave the assigned area without a staff escort; staff are required to conduct more frequent counts and “census checks” of inmates on work crews; staff conducted a classification review of all inmates assigned to the community service work program to ensure that no inmate is considered an escape risk. <u>2004</u> – One staff member was terminated and subsequently arrested for trying to smuggle illegal drugs to offenders.	Ronnie O’Neal Contract Monitor 1205 Texas Avenue, C126 Lubbock, TX 79401 (806) 472-7655
Frio County Detention Facility – Pearsall, Texas	
Incident	Contact
<u>August 27, 1999</u> – Two undocumented aliens escaped from the Trevino Unit following the 10:30 PM count. The inmates forced a toilet from the wall and crawled into the chase area. Subsequently, CSC had all of the locks to the plumbing chases changed; metal plates were installed behind the toilets; and interior and perimeter patrols were increased. <u>August 6, 2004</u> – Five federal inmates escaped from the facility. The inmates were able to escape through holes cut in security fences. It is thought that the inmates had assistance in their escape. The facility implemented in-service training classes to certify jailers; implemented additional counts; implemented a system of photo IDs for inmates; placed a second officer in central control; installed a	Lionel Trevino Sheriff, Frio County 502 South Cedar Pearsall, TX 78061 (830) 334-3311

<p>crash gate to eliminate inmate traffic around the control room and moved the booking area to a more secured location; relocated the ice machine from the outside to inside the facility; added razor wire to the sally port area; the outside kitchen door must remain closed unless there is an officer present.</p>	
<p>Newton County Correctional Center – Newton, Texas</p>	
<p>Incident</p>	<p>Contact</p>
<p><u>July 28, 2003</u> – An inmate, who was in his assigned work area, was assaulted by inmates who were inadvertently allowed into the area by a substance abuse counselor. The facility issued a memo emphasizing that inmate escorts were to be conducted only by security staff. The memo was read and signed by all program staff and security supervisors.</p>	<p>Honorable Truman Dougharty Newton County Judge, P.O.J. R109 Court Street Newton, TX 75966 (409) 379-5691</p>
<p><u>March 2, 2003</u> – An Arizona inmate assigned as a trustee to wax floors escaped. The inmate requested permission to go outside to smoke a cigarette and cut a hole in the fence. He was prosecuted and will serve a sentence in Texas after completing his Arizona sentence. During the investigation it was determined a construction worker had left wire cutters in the area where he was working. Procedures for contractors were strengthened. Inventories of tools and equipment are not completed when the contractor enters and exits.</p>	<p>John Gay 1601 W. Jefferson Phoenix, AZ 85007 (602) 542-1728</p>
<p><u>August 6, 2003</u> – Two inmates were observed scaling the fence of the main building in an attempt to escape. The inmates were apprehended within 15 minutes. A review of the escape resulted in revisions to procedures and physical plant improvements to enhance the overall security of the facility. Improvements included increasing daily testing and providing maintenance for the shaker system on the inner perimeter fence. Additional razor wire was installed on the fence. An additional armed post was created to monitor inmates on the recreation yard. The number of level 3 and 4 Mexican national inmates allowed to use the recreation yard at one time was reduced to four.</p>	<p>Honorable Truman Dougharty Newton County Judge, P.O.J. R109 Court Street Newton, TX 75966 (409) 379-5691</p>

Jefferson County Jail – Beaumont, Texas	
Incident	Contact
<p><u>July 24, 2003</u> – One officer was arrested by the Jefferson County Drug Task Force for entering the Jefferson County Jail in possession of approximately two ounces of crack cocaine and one hundred dollars of photo copied United States currency. The officer was terminated by CSC. Charges were filed in the U.S. Federal Court. The officer was convicted and is serving his sentence in the Federal Prison in Beaumont, Texas.</p> <p><u>December 27, 2003</u> – One federal offender escaped while taking out the garbage from the kitchen. The supervisor on duty was notified and other CSC officers gave chase – the offender jumped into the river. The supervisor on duty made appropriate notifications and the Beaumont Police Department, the U.S. Coast Guard and CSC officers captured offender and returned him to the facility. The offender was out of CSC custody for 13 minutes. The U.S. Marshals filed escape charges against the offender. CSC changed facility escort procedures for the facility. Two officers are now required to escort an offender into the compound.</p> <p><u>August 30, 2004</u> – One female officer engaged in illegal sexual acts with an ICE detainee. Charges were filed against the officer, she was terminated, prosecuted and received 3 years probation.</p>	<p>William Kowis 15850 Export Plaza Houston, TX (832) 435-6794</p>
Crowley County Correctional Facility – Olney, Colorado	
Incident	Contact
<p><u>March 5, 1999</u> – New inmates from the Washington Department of Corrections were unhappy because the Crowley Facility was a non-smoking facility and their personal property had not arrived from the Washington DOC. They began a disturbance in the dining room which spilled over into other areas of the facility. Staff quelled the problem by listening to the complaints and helping the inmates to fill out grievance forms. At 2:30 PM the inmates began another disturbance in the recreation yard. Over a period of 30 minutes the inmates prepared for a riot. The Warden assembled the ERT staff and asked for additional assistance from a nearby facility. The incident was ended 5 hours and 43 minutes later.</p>	<p>Mike Arellano 2862 S. Circle Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80906 (719) 226- 4929</p>

<p>There were several minor injuries to staff and less than \$10,000 damage to the facility. Three states had inmates involved in the incident – Colorado, Wyoming and Washington. The three states conducted a fact finding review which was presented to the facility management. A corrective action plan was developed and all facility repairs were completed. The three states continued to send inmates until the facility was full.</p>	
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