



December 5, 2019

TO: [REDACTED]  
Assistant Director for Detention Management

FROM: [REDACTED]  
Lead Compliance Inspector  
The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

SUBJECT: **Biennial Detention Inspection of the Carver County Jail**

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed a biennial inspection for compliance with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS) of the Carver County Jail in Chaska, Minnesota, during the period of December 3-5, 2019. This is an IGSA facility.

The inspection was performed under the guidance of [REDACTED], Lead Compliance Inspector. Team members were:

Subject Matter Field	Team Member
Detainee Rights	[REDACTED]
Security	[REDACTED]
Medical Care	[REDACTED]
Safety	[REDACTED]
Medical Care	[REDACTED]

### **Type of Inspection**

This is a scheduled biennial inspection which is performed to determine overall compliance with the ICE NDS for Over 72 hour facilities. The facility received a previous rating of Acceptable during the November 2017 inspection.

### **Inspection Summary**

The Carver County Jail is currently accredited by:

- The American Correctional Association (ACA) - No
- The National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) - No
- The Joint Commission (TJC) - No
- Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) - No

### **Standards Compliance**

The following information is a summary of the standards that were reviewed and overall compliance that was determined as a result of the 2017 and 2019 annual inspections:



<i>2017 Annual Inspection</i>	
Acceptable	36
Deficient	0
Repeat Deficiency	0
Not Applicable	3

<i>2019 Annual Inspection</i>	
Acceptable	36
Deficient	0
Repeat Deficiency	0
Not Applicable	3

The inspection team identified eight (8) deficient components in the following six (6) standards:

- Correspondence and Other Mail – 1
- Food Service – 1
- Detainee Access to Telephones – 1
- Environmental Health and Safety – 3
- Special Management Unit (Disciplinary Segregation) – 1
- Detainee Transfer Standard – 1

### **Facility Snapshot/Description**

The Carver County Jail is located in Chaska, Minnesota, approximately twenty miles west of the Minneapolis/St. Paul community. The facility is owned by Carver County and operated under the jurisdiction of the Carver County Sheriff's Department. [REDACTED] It currently houses adult male and female ICE detainees and Carver County detainees. The facility houses all classification levels. [REDACTED]

The facility, constructed in 1994, is a single building that houses the Sheriff's Office and the jail. The exterior walls of the building serve as its perimeter security. The entire perimeter of the building is monitored by camera surveillance. All exterior doors are alarmed and controlled by master control officers. The perimeter of the building is not fenced but it is foot patrolled by an unarmed officers once each shift. The facility has a 63 surveillance camera network capable of providing sight lines into each housing unit, the common areas, and all movement corridors. All movement in the facility is escorted.

All general population detainees are housed in one of three housing units which are dormitory settings ranging in size from 17 to 54 beds. The facility has one special management unit. It is an eight-cell unit with one bed in each cell. No ICE detainees were housed in disciplinary or administrative segregation status during the inspection.

Each of the housing units has a dayroom area equipped with one television, one mounted video-visit station, banks of telephones, one informational kiosk, and table/chair units where detainees eat their meals, gather in conversation, or participate in table games. Two of the general population housing units also have access to a growing network of tablets on which detainees can watch movies, play games, read books, listen to music, view the LexisNexis collection, and make telephone calls. General population detainees have daily access to outdoor recreation for several hours a day. SMU detainees have access to outdoor recreation for at least one hour a day five days a week. All detainees have daily access to indoor recreation. Detainees are supervised by direct supervision and are under constant monitored camera surveillance while in their housing unit.



All thirteen detainees were interviewed during the inspection in open and confidential settings. Only one detainee did not speak English. She was interviewed using the language line. The detainees voiced no concerns regarding life/safety issues. Overall, the detainees voiced no substantive complaints or concerns when questioned about their treatment by staff, conditions of confinement, medical care, asylum requests, consulate/court access, ICE/ERO services, visiting privileges, law library access, food services, or recreational opportunities. Observations of the interactions between detainees and officers revealed a direct and professional demeanor that was punctuated on several occasions with informal conversation. Detainees were generally satisfied with the interaction and responsiveness from facility staff and the deportation officer's attention to their requests.

Sanitation throughout the facility is above average.

Health services are provided by MEnD Health Services; food services are provided by Aramark Correctional Services; and maintenance services are provided by Carver County employees. Detainee telephones, video-visit stations, electronic tablets, and kiosk services are managed by Securus Technologies. The facility does not charge ICE detainees co-pays for medical, mental health, or dental care.

**Areas of Concern/Significant Observations**

There were no areas of concern or significant observations.

**Recommended Rating and Justification**

The Lead Compliance Inspector recommends that the facility receive a rating of Acceptable. The facility complies with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS). No (0) standards were found Deficient and three (3) standards were Not Applicable (N/A). All remaining thirty-six (36) standards were found to be in compliance.

**LCI Assurance Statement**

The findings of compliance and noncompliance are accurately and completely documented on the G-324A Inspection Form and are supported by documentation in the inspection file. An out brief was conducted at the facility and in addition to the entire Nakamoto Group, Inc. Inspection Team, the following were present:

- ICE Officials – [Redacted]
- Facility Staff – [Redacted]

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[Redacted], Lead Compliance Inspector

December 5, 2019

Printed Name of LCI

Date

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