

October 21, 2021

TO:

Acting Assistant Director Custody Management

FROM:

Lead Compliance Inspector The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

SUBJECT: Annual Inspection of the Yuba County Jail

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS 2019) of the Yuba County Jail in Marysville, California during the period of October 19-21, 2021. This is an IGSA.

The inspection was performed under the guidance of Lead Compliance Inspector. Team Members were:

Subject Matter Field	Team Member
Detainee Rights	
Security	
Medical Care	
Medical Care	
Safety	

Type of Inspection

This is a scheduled annual inspection which is performed to determine overall compliance with the ICE NDS 2019 for Over 72-hour facilities. The facility received a rating of Meets Standards during the December 2020 inspection.

Inspection Summary

The Yuba 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 2020 and 2021 compliance annual inspections:



2020 Annual Inspection	
Meets Standards	30
Does Not Meet Standards	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	3

2021 Annual Inspection	
Meets Standards	30
Does Not Meet Standards	0
Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	3

The inspection team identified one (1) deficient component in the following one (1) standard:

Custody Classification -1, which is a repeat deficiency

Facility Snapshot/Description

The Yuba County Jail is a indirect supervision facility located in downtown Marysville, California. The facility is owned by Yuba County and operated under the jurisdiction of the Yuba County Sheriff's Office. The four-story structure houses male and female detainees for Yuba County and male ICE detainees of all classification levels. ICE detainees are classified by facility staff using the information provided by ICE.

ICE detainees are currently housed separately from Yuba County detainees. ICE detainees are not placed in disciplinary segregation. The housing units have a day room area with tables, seating, a television, telephones, board games, and a sufficient number of showers and wash basins. Electronic tablets have recently been installed in the housing units providing detainees with educational material, movies, games, and the ability to communicate with facility and ICE staff.

During this hybrid inspection there were three inspectors onsite and two working remotely. Onsite inspectors toured the ICE housing area and interviewed the one ICE detainee. The detainee stated that he had been in the facility for approximately three years and that he was "fighting his case". He stated that he was treated well by staff and that he felt safe. He stated that the food was not very good as he is on a low spice diet. An inspector observed the plating of a meal and reviewed the menus and found that the appearance of the food was good and portions were more than adequate. The detainee stated that he had not filed any grievances and when questioned about his knowledge of the procedures to contact the OIG, he placed a call to the OIG using the speed dial number allowing the inspector to speak to OIG personnel. He stated that ICE personnel visit the housing unit every week and that they answer his requests in a timely manner. The detainee was aware of the law library but stated that he did not need to use it as he has an attorney. The detainee reported that he has received visitors utilizing the non-contact visitation area. When questioned about medical care he stated that medical staff treated him well and he had no complaints.

Facility staff interviewed by the inspection team were well-versed in the requirements of the NDS 2019 Standards. The facility has a strict COVID-19 policy in place and staff were observed cleaning areas throughout the facility on a regular schedule. There were no active cases of COVID-19 in the facility.

Medical services are provided by WellPath and detainee telephone service is provided by GTL. All other services are provided by Yuba County employees. Detainees not charged co-pay fees for medical, dental, or mental health services. Sanitation throughout the facility was average.



Areas of Concern/Significant Observations

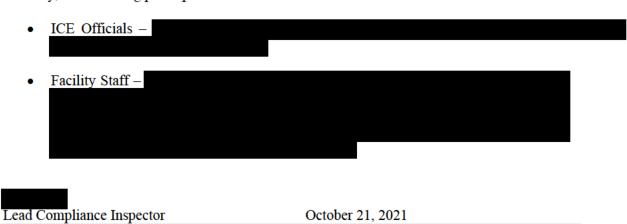
This inspection was conducted as a hybrid with two inspectors working remotely. The remote inspectors were unable to personally observe practices and procedures within the facility and relied upon telephonic interviews, documentation provided by the facility, and on-site inspector observation. There were no areas of concern or significant observations.

Recommended Rating and Justification

The Lead Compliance Inspector recommends that the facility receive a rating of Meets Standards. The facility complies with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS 2019) for Over 72-hour facilities unless unobserved practices and conditions are contrary to what was reported to the inspectors working remotely. No (0) standards were rated Does Not Meet Standard and three (3) standards were Not Applicable (N/A). All remaining thirty (30) standards were found to Meet Standards.

LCI Assurance Statement

The findings of compliance and non-compliance are accurately and completely documented on the G-324 Inspection Form and are supported by documentation in the inspection file. An out brief was conducted with the facility. In addition to the on-site Nakamoto Group Inspection Team and two inspectors working remotely, the following participated:



Printed Name of LCI

Date