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East Moline Correctional Center: Inmate Survey Results from JHA's Monitoring Visit Conducted August 29th 2017

East Moline Correctional Center is a minimum-security prison that housed 1,308 adult male inmates on the day of JHA's monitoring visit. JHA collected 541 surveys from inmates (41.4% of the population) during our monitoring visit of this prison. Inmate responses to survey questions are reported below.

Responses to Inmate Demographic Questions:

Race		
Black	298	55%
White	127	24%
Hispanic	52	10%
Other	37	7%
No response	27	5%
Total	541	100%

Age		
Under 26	72	13%
26-35	174	32%
36-45	133	25%
46-55	102	19%
Over 55	45	8%
No response	15	3%
Total	541	100%

How long have you been in this prison?		
Less than 6 months	140	26%
6 months or more	385	71%
No response	16	3%
Total	541	100%

Primary assignment		
Work	214	40%
School	97	18%
Unassigned	176	33%
Other	20	4%
No response	34	6%
Total	541	100%

Responses to Inmate Survey Questions:

Q1: I feel safe		
Strongly Agree	67	12%
Agree	141	26%
Neutral	165	31%
Disagree	89	17%
Strongly Disagree	74	14%
No Response	5	1%
Total	541	100%

Q2: Staff treat inmates with respect		
Strongly Agree	9	2%
Agree	39	7%
Neutral	100	19%
Disagree	159	29%
Strongly Disagree	226	42%
No Response	8	2%
Total	541	100%

Q3: Inmates treat inmates with respect		
Strongly Agree	34	6%
Agree	84	16%
Neutral	228	42%
Disagree	105	19%
Strongly Disagree	87	16%
No Response	3	1%
Total	541	100%

Q4: I know the rules or where to find them		
Strongly Agree	44	8%
Agree	168	31%
Neutral	112	21%
Disagree	96	18%
Strongly Disagree	112	21%
No Response	9	2%
Total	541	100%

Q5: Staff follow rules		
Strongly Agree	7	1%
Agree	44	8%
Neutral	103	19%
Disagree	179	33%
Strongly Disagree	198	37%
No Response	10	2%
Total	541	100%

Q6: My Correctional Counselor is effective		
Strongly Agree	15	3%
Agree	42	8%
Neutral	70	13%
Disagree	122	23%
Strongly Disagree	287	53%
No Response	5	1%
Total	541	100%

Q7: I am satisfied with medical services		
Strongly Agree	18	3%
Agree	48	9%
Neutral	92	17%
Disagree	121	22%
Strongly Disagree	258	48%
No Response	4	1%
Total	541	100%

Q8: I avoid health care to avoid \$5 co-pay		
Strongly Agree	263	49%
Agree	95	18%
Neutral	49	9%
Disagree	46	9%
Strongly Disagree	83	15%
No Response	5	1%
Total	541	100%

Q9: The disciplinary process is fair		
Strongly Agree	6	1%
Agree	35	7%
Neutral	113	21%
Disagree	141	26%
Strongly Disagree	240	44%
No Response	6	1%
Total	541	100%

Q10: This facility is safe for inmates		
Strongly Agree	31	6%
Agree	106	20%
Neutral	165	31%
Disagree	103	19%
Strongly Disagree	129	24%
No Response	7	1%
Total	541	100%

Q11: There is at least one staff member who I could ask for help		
Strongly Agree	72	13%
Agree	149	28%
Neutral	119	22%
Disagree	84	16%
Strongly Disagree	110	20%
No Response	7	1%
Total	541	100%

Q12: The grievance process is effective		
Strongly Agree	4	1%
Agree	17	3%
Neutral	89	17%
Disagree	115	21%
Strongly Disagree	311	58%
No Response	5	1%
Total	541	100%

Q13: I would feel comfortable filing a grievance		
Strongly Agree	16	3%
Agree	48	9%
Neutral	94	17%
Disagree	120	22%
Strongly Disagree	259	48%
No Response	4	1%
Total	541	100%

Q14: Contraband from outside facility often gets inside		
Strongly Agree	21	4%
Agree	22	4%
Neutral	96	18%
Disagree	187	35%
Strongly Disagree	201	37%
No Response	14	3%
Total	541	100%

Q15: There is frequent gang activity here		
Strongly Agree	80	15%
Agree	70	13%
Neutral	129	24%
Disagree	134	25%
Strongly Disagree	111	21%
No Response	17	3%
Total	541	100%

Q16: Mail is timely		
Strongly Agree	27	5%
Agree	77	14%
Neutral	114	21%
Disagree	126	23%
Strongly Disagree	182	34%
No Response	15	3%
Total	541	100%

Q17: Adequate cleaning supplies are provided		
Strongly Agree	30	6%
Agree	99	18%
Neutral	104	19%
Disagree	126	23%
Strongly Disagree	168	31%
No Response	14	3%
Total	541	100%

Q18: Temperature is comfortable		
Strongly Agree	14	3%
Agree	57	11%
Neutral	110	20%
Disagree	129	24%
Strongly Disagree	220	41%
No Response	11	2%
Total	541	100%

Q19: Posted schedules are accurate		
Strongly Agree	16	3%
Agree	95	18%
Neutral	134	25%
Disagree	133	25%
Strongly Disagree	146	27%
No Response	17	3%
Total	541	100%

Q20: Ventilation is adequate		
Strongly Agree	9	2%
Agree	52	10%
Neutral	107	20%
Disagree	133	25%
Strongly Disagree	218	40%
No Response	22	4%
Total	541	100%

Q21: When something is broken it is fixed in a timely manner		
Strongly Agree	7	1%
Agree	37	7%
Neutral	69	13%
Disagree	143	26%
Strongly Disagree	280	52%
No Response	5	1%
Total	541	100%

Q22: I am satisfied with food from dietary		
Strongly Agree	5	1%
Agree	13	2%
Neutral	43	8%
Disagree	94	17%
Strongly Disagree	380	70%
No Response	6	1%
Total	541	100%

Q23: Clothing provided by state is adequate		
Strongly Agree	11	2%
Agree	67	12%
Neutral	114	21%
Disagree	135	25%
Strongly Disagree	204	38%
No Response	10	2%
Total	541	100%

Q24: I have adequate access to showers		
Strongly Agree	108	20%
Agree	216	40%
Neutral	97	18%
Disagree	42	8%
Strongly Disagree	69	13%
No Response	9	2%
Total	541	100%

Q25: Enough state hygiene items are provided		
Strongly Agree	8	2%
Agree	33	6%
Neutral	68	13%
Disagree	125	23%
Strongly Disagree	299	55%
No Response	8	2%
Total	541	100%

Q26: There is enough rec		
Strongly Agree	19	4%
Agree	82	15%
Neutral	103	19%
Disagree	103	19%
Strongly Disagree	225	42%
No Response	9	2%
Total	541	100%

Q27: I have adequate access to law library		
Strongly Agree	16	3%
Agree	59	11%
Neutral	138	26%
Disagree	102	19%
Strongly Disagree	215	40%
No Response	11	2%
Total	541	100%

Q28: I have enough access to phones		
Strongly Agree	45	8%
Agree	125	23%
Neutral	105	19%
Disagree	103	19%
Strongly Disagree	151	28%
No Response	12	2%
Total	541	100%

Q29: Helpful reentry info is provided by staff		
Strongly Agree	12	2%
Agree	49	9%
Neutral	117	22%
Disagree	122	23%
Strongly Disagree	232	43%
No Response	9	2%
Total	541	100%

Q30: Rehabilitative & Education programming is adequate		
Strongly Agree	13	2%
Agree	40	7%
Neutral	91	17%
Disagree	92	17%
Strongly Disagree	295	55%
No Response	10	2%
Total	541	100%

*Not all percentages reported for individual survey items add up to 100% due to percentages being rounded to whole number.