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## Lincoln Correctional Center: Inmate Survey Results from JHA's Monitoring Visit Conducted October 20<sup>th</sup> 2016.

Lincoln Correctional Center is a minimum security prison that houses approximately 1,000 adult male inmates. JHA collected 250 surveys from inmates (25% of the population) during our monitoring visit of this prison. Inmate responses to survey questions are reported below.

<b>Race</b>		
Black	118	47.2%
Hispanic	31	12.4%
White	76	30.4%
Other	17	6.8%
No response	8	3.2%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Age</b>		
Under 21	5	2.0%
21-25	20	8.0%
26-35	74	29.6%
36-45	89	35.6%
46-55	36	14.4%
Over 55	15	6.0%
No response	11	4.4%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q1: I feel safe</b>		
Strongly Agree	58	23.2%
Agree	131	52.4%
Disagree	30	12.0%
Strongly Disagree	23	9.2%
Not-Applicable	4	1.6%
No Response	4	1.6%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q2: Staff treat inmates with respect</b>		
Strongly Agree	7	2.8%
Agree	67	26.8%
Disagree	85	34.0%
Strongly Disagree	80	32.0%
Not-Applicable	5	2.0%
No Response	6	2.4%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q3: Inmates treat other inmates with respect</b>		
Strongly Agree	9	3.6%
Agree	106	42.4%
Disagree	89	35.6%
Strongly Disagree	35	14.0%
Not-Applicable	6	2.4%
No Response	5	2.0%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q4: Posted schedules are accurate</b>		
Strongly Agree	24	9.6%
Agree	118	47.2%
Disagree	63	25.2%
Strongly Disagree	35	14.0%
Not-Applicable	3	1.2%
No Response	7	2.8%
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<b>Q5: I know the rules or where to find them</b>		
Strongly Agree	31	12.4%
Agree	153	61.2%
Disagree	40	16.0%
Strongly Disagree	16	6.4%
Not-Applicable	2	0.8%
No Response	8	3.2%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q6: Staff follow rules</b>		
Strongly Agree	10	4.0%
Agree	47	18.8%
Disagree	94	37.6%
Strongly Disagree	82	32.8%
Not-Applicable	10	4.0%
No Response	7	2.8%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q7: Staff provide helpful information about in-facility opportunities</b>		
Strongly Agree	12	4.8%
Agree	63	25.2%
Disagree	94	37.6%
Strongly Disagree	68	27.2%
Not-Applicable	6	2.4%
No Response	7	2.8%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q8: Staff provide helpful reentry information</b>		
Strongly Agree	9	3.6%
Agree	68	27.2%
Disagree	82	32.8%
Strongly Disagree	65	26.0%
Not-Applicable	16	6.4%
No Response	10	4.0%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q9: My Correctional Counselor is effective</b>		
Strongly Agree	23	9.2%
Agree	63	25.2%
Disagree	58	23.2%
Strongly Disagree	89	35.6%
Not-Applicable	10	4.0%
No Response	7	2.8%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q10: Medical services are available</b>		
Strongly Agree	31	12.4%
Agree	133	53.2%
Disagree	48	19.2%
Strongly Disagree	30	12.0%
Not-Applicable	5	2.0%
No Response	3	1.2%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q11: I am satisfied with health care services</b>		
Strongly Agree	18	7.2%
Agree	72	28.8%
Disagree	77	30.8%
Strongly Disagree	73	29.2%
Not-Applicable	5	2.0%
No Response	5	2.0%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q12: The co-pay stops me from seeking health care services</b>		
Strongly Agree	131	52.4%
Agree	52	20.8%
Disagree	27	10.8%
Strongly Disagree	25	10.0%
Not-Applicable	10	4.0%
No Response	5	2.0%
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<b>Q13: The disciplinary process is fair</b>		
Strongly Agree	9	3.6%
Agree	49	19.6%
Disagree	62	24.8%
Strongly Disagree	105	42.0%
Not-Applicable	20	8.0%
No Response	5	2.0%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q14: The facility is safe for inmates</b>		
Strongly Agree	43	17.2%
Agree	139	55.6%
Disagree	34	13.6%
Strongly Disagree	24	9.6%
Not-Applicable	7	2.8%
No Response	3	1.2%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q15: Mail is timely</b>		
Strongly Agree	26	10.4%
Agree	111	44.4%
Disagree	54	21.6%
Strongly Disagree	49	19.6%
Not-Applicable	2	0.8%
No Response	8	3.2%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q16: There is at least one staff member who I could ask for help</b>		
Strongly Agree	29	11.6%
Agree	132	52.8%
Disagree	39	15.6%
Strongly Disagree	32	12.8%
Not-Applicable	8	3.2%
No Response	10	4.0%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q17: The grievance process is effective</b>		
Strongly Agree	4	1.6%
Agree	19	7.6%
Disagree	76	30.4%
Strongly Disagree	122	48.8%
Not-Applicable	21	8.4%
No Response	8	3.2%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q18: I would feel comfortable filing a grievance</b>		
Strongly Agree	16	6.4%
Agree	38	15.2%
Disagree	85	34.0%
Strongly Disagree	87	34.8%
Not-Applicable	12	4.8%
No Response	12	4.8%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q19: Contraband from outside the facility often gets inside</b>		
Strongly Agree	3	1.2%
Agree	12	4.8%
Disagree	81	32.4%
Strongly Disagree	124	49.6%
Not-Applicable	17	6.8%
No Response	13	5.2%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q20: There is frequent gang activity at this facility</b>		
Strongly Agree	25	10.0%
Agree	40	16.0%
Disagree	79	31.6%
Strongly Disagree	85	34.0%
Not-Applicable	10	4.0%
No Response	11	4.4%
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<b>Q21: My housing unit is clean</b>		
Strongly Agree	22	8.8%
Agree	95	38.0%
Disagree	56	22.4%
Strongly Disagree	61	24.4%
Not-Applicable	10	4.0%
No Response	6	2.4%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q22: Temperature is comfortable</b>		
Strongly Agree	39	15.6%
Agree	146	58.4%
Disagree	40	16.0%
Strongly Disagree	17	6.8%
Not-Applicable	0	0.0%
No Response	8	3.2%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q23: Ventilation is adequate</b>		
Strongly Agree	20	8.0%
Agree	98	39.2%
Disagree	76	30.4%
Strongly Disagree	45	18.0%
Not-Applicable	2	0.8%
No Response	9	3.6%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q24: When something is broken on the unit it is fixed in a timely manner</b>		
Strongly Agree	10	4.0%
Agree	85	34.0%
Disagree	59	23.6%
Strongly Disagree	85	34.0%
Not-Applicable	5	2.0%
No Response	6	2.4%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q25: I am satisfied with food from the dietary</b>		
Strongly Agree	17	6.8%
Agree	70	28.0%
Disagree	61	24.4%
Strongly Disagree	87	34.8%
Not-Applicable	9	3.6%
No Response	6	2.4%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q26: I have access to clean and temperature appropriate clothing</b>		
Strongly Agree	35	14.0%
Agree	116	46.4%
Disagree	50	20.0%
Strongly Disagree	38	15.2%
Not-Applicable	2	0.8%
No Response	9	3.6%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q27: I have adequate access to showers</b>		
Strongly Agree	84	33.6%
Agree	140	56.0%
Disagree	8	3.2%
Strongly Disagree	8	3.2%
Not-Applicable	2	0.8%
No Response	8	3.2%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q28: I have access to cleaning materials</b>		
Strongly Agree	32	12.8%
Agree	117	46.8%
Disagree	54	21.6%
Strongly Disagree	33	13.2%
Not-Applicable	6	2.4%
No Response	8	3.2%
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<b>Q29: I have access to state provided hygiene products</b>		
Strongly Agree	7	2.8%
Agree	41	16.4%
Disagree	56	22.4%
Strongly Disagree	123	49.2%
Not-Applicable	13	5.2%
No Response	10	4.0%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q30: I have adequate recreation opportunities</b>		
Strongly Agree	87	34.8%
Agree	106	42.4%
Disagree	23	9.2%
Strongly Disagree	18	7.2%
Not-Applicable	4	1.6%
No Response	12	4.8%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q31: I have adequate access to the law library</b>		
Strongly Agree	33	13.2%
Agree	93	37.2%
Disagree	50	20.0%
Strongly Disagree	54	21.6%
Not-Applicable	8	3.2%
No Response	12	4.8%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q32: I have adequate access to general library</b>		
Strongly Agree	34	13.6%
Agree	97	38.8%
Disagree	52	20.8%
Strongly Disagree	47	18.8%
Not-Applicable	8	3.2%
No Response	12	4.8%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q33: There is adequate substance abuse treatment here</b>		
Strongly Agree	47	18.8%
Agree	111	44.4%
Disagree	33	13.2%
Strongly Disagree	35	14.0%
Not-Applicable	15	6.0%
No Response	9	3.6%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q34: I have adequate access to phones</b>		
Strongly Agree	38	15.2%
Agree	119	47.6%
Disagree	45	18.0%
Strongly Disagree	40	16.0%
Not-Applicable	1	0.4%
No Response	7	2.8%
Total	250	100.0%

<b>Q35: There is adequate educational programming here</b>		
Strongly Agree	7	2.8%
Agree	27	10.8%
Disagree	33	13.2%
Strongly Disagree	172	68.8%
Not-Applicable	5	2.0%
No Response	6	2.4%
Total	250	100.0%

\*Not all percentages reported for individual survey items add up to 100% due to percentages showing as rounded to one-tenth of one percent for each answer.