



## CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION INSPECTION COMMITTEE

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# SUMMARY OF THE UNANNOUNCED INSPECTION AND EVALUATION OF GRAFTON CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION

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### Facility Overview

Grafton Correctional Institution (GCI) is a medium security male prison that houses Level 1 (minimum) and Level 2 (medium) security offenders. GCI houses some of its minimum-security offenders at its camp facility. The initial design capacity for GCI was 1,180 offenders. As of January 25, 2022, the institution housed 1,643 offenders. As of February 1, 2022, the institution employed 375 total staff, of which 208 were officers. As of January 1, 2022, there were 29 total staff vacancies (7.7%) including 14 officer vacancies (6.7%).

### Highlighted Facts

- WCI is managed by Warden Keith Foley and Acting Warden at the time of inspection was Staci Freeman.
- In attendance at the inspection were CIIC staff.
- On the October 5-7, 2020, American Correctional Association (ACA) Reaccreditation audit, the institution scored 100% compliance for applicable, mandatory standards, and 99.3% on the applicable, non-mandatory standards. The areas of non-compliance related to unencumbered cell space.

### Key Inspection Findings

#### Safety and Security

- All dayrooms, cells, and showers were rated from acceptable to exceptional. All JPay kiosks, phones, washers/dryers, water fountains, ice machines, and microwaves were in good working order.
- There was a sex offender treatment unit, an orientation unit, a therapeutic drug treatment unit, an RTU for severely mentally ill offenders, and a large dog training program.
- The top substances reported as available were suboxone, alcohol, tobacco, and marijuana. The top activities reported to gang activity were drug trade, gambling, and extortion.

#### Fair Treatment

- It was reported that the top areas of complaints through the Inmate Grievance Procedure were regarding medical, property, and the mailroom.
- Ten grievances responses were reviewed, and all were responded to by the Inspector or Acting Inspector. Only four of the ten responses (40%) were within the timeline set forth by the rule. The average response time of the ten complaints was 26.5 days.
- The Transitional Programming Unit (TPU), used for disciplinary housing, was toured and appeared clean and orderly. In addition to general cells, the TPU also has safe cells for offenders under certain mental health or safety protocols.

#### Health and Wellbeing

- The medical facilities and RTU toured during the inspection appeared clean and orderly.
- Staff reported that some nurses in the medical facilities are off of work on disability and their staffing levels were reduced by 1.5 positions.
- The meal sampled by CIIC staff had serving sizes and temperatures that were appropriate and overall taste was good.

#### Rehabilitation and Reentry

- A walkthrough of vocational, OPI areas, and educational areas found them to be exceptionally clean, orderly, and conducive to learning.
- Grafton has a "Hope Center" located at the camp that offers an impressive variety of reentry-focused programs and resources.