Commonwealth of Massachusetts Office of the Sheriff

FRANKLIN COUNTY

CHRISTOPHER J. DONELAN SHERIFF



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TO:

Sheriff Christopher Donelan

FROM:

PREA Compliance Manager Jake Brown

DATE:

July 31, 2024

RE:

2023 PREA Data

In accordance with PREA standard 115.88 Data Review for Corrective Action, The Franklin County Sheriff's Office completes an annual report to assess the effectiveness of sexual abuse prevention, detection and response. Policies, procedures and training are examined to identify any problem areas and take corrective action on an ongoing basis and report its findings and corrective actions taken.

Specific material may be redacted from the report when it would present a clear and specific threat to safety and security, but will be indicated in the report the nature of any redacted materials.

A review of Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Investigations, the following data has been compiled in accordance with the PREA standards:

INCIDENT TYPE	ALLEGED	SUBSTANTIATED	UNSUBSTANTIATED	UNFOUNDED
Inmate on inmate sexual abuse	8		6	2
Inmate on inmate sexual harassment	1			1
Staff on inmate sexual abuse	4			4
Staff on inmate sexual harassment	1	1		
2023 Total				

When the Franklin County Sheriff's Office conducts its own investigations into allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, it shall do so promptly, thoroughly, and objectively for all allegations, including third party and anonymous reports.

Where inmate on inmate sexual abuse is alleged, the Franklin County Sheriff's Office shall use trained investigators, who have received special training in sexual abuse investigations pursuant to 115.34. Where staff on inmate sexual abuse is alleged, the Franklin County Sheriff's Office shall use investigators, who have received special training in sexual abuse investigations pursuant to 115.34 or when warranted, the Northwestern District Attorney's Office and the Massachusetts State Police.

Sheriff Christopher Donelan