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**KNOX COUNTY JAIL
2011 INSPECTION REPORT**

Criminal Justice Specialist Brad Besson inspected the Knox County Jail on October 5, 2011. The entrance and exit interviews were conducted with Lieutenant Craig Carpenter.

IMPROVEMENTS SINCE LAST INSPECTION

1. The law library has been totally remodeled to include three new laptop computers with DSL internet access to selected Criminal Law sites. One of the laptops has a DVD port for the viewing of discovery via blue ray and DVD evidence. A live video first arraignment system has also been added to the library.
2. All of the telephones within the booking area can now be recorded. Proper signage and a recordable message to that affect is now in place.
3. The facility is now part of the Gov.pay system. The families and friends of arrested persons can now post bond and/or add commissary money to a detainee's account via this internet based service. In the future, visitors will be able to add money via a kiosk in the lobby of the jail.
4. The security of the courthouse has been enhanced via the purchase of a "bandit." The devise is worn by the detainee and can be activated using a remote. Any unauthorized movement by the wearer of the "bandit" can be corrected.

NONCOMPLIANCES WITH *ILLINOIS COUNTY JAIL STANDARDS*

None

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