

COUNTY OF BERGEN DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF FAMILY GUIDANCE

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The Bergen County Juvenile Detention Center has a zero tolerance towards all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment involving juveniles in its facility by anyone including other juveniles, staff, contractors/vendors, interns, consultants and visitors.

The Bergen County Juvenile Detention Center is a legal entity that meets or exceeds the requirements set forth by the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission. The objectives of detention are to provide temporary custody and care of juveniles who are charged with offenses and deemed a threat to the physical safety of the community and/or whose confinement is necessary to insure their presence at the next hearing; to minimize the potentially damaging effects of confinement in a secure setting by supporting the juvenile's physical, emotional, and social development, in an atmosphere which is as non-threatening as possible; and to meet the needs of juveniles through a constructive program offering educational, recreational, religious, and social opportunities.

| Year | Reports of Sexual Abuse | Substantiated | Unsubstantiated |
|------|----------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| 2016 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2017 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2018 | 1 | 0 | 1 |

In compliance with the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003, this document serves as the statistical posting of allegations of sexual abuse and/or misconduct and the results of such allegations.

This report reflects all allegations of sexual abuse from within and outside the jurisdiction of the Bergen County Juvenile Detention Center.