



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Middlesex Sheriff's Office



MEMORANDUM

To: Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian
From: PREA Manager Daniel Finn
Re: 2024 PREA Aggregated

In accordance with 115.88 Data Review for Corrective Action, the MSO completes an annual report in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of reduction of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Through training in prevention, detection and response our policies and practices provide great assistance in completing the elimination of such acts.

The MSO may redact specific material from this and future PREA reports when the publication would present a clear and specific threat to the safety and security of the facility. Any redacted material must have a general statement to indicate that the material has been removed from the report.

The timeline for data collected shown in the below graph below is calendar year 2023.

During this time period there were a total of five (5) **Inmate on Inmate Nonconsensual Sexual Acts-** allegations up from two (2) from the previous year, five (5) unsubstantiated.

During this time period there were a total of three (3) **Inmate on Inmate Sexual Abuse-** allegations down from twelve (12) from the previous year, one (1) substantiated, two (2) unsubstantiated.

During this time period there were a total of zero (0) **Inmate on Inmate Sexual Harassment** allegations, down ten (10) from the previous year.

During this time period there were two (2) **Staff on Inmate Sexual Harassment** allegations the same as last year. Both were unfounded.

During this time period there were a total of one (1) **Staff Sexual Misconduct Allegations** down from three (3) from the previous year. One (1) unfounded.

PREA Data Collection 2023

Category	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Total
Inmate-Inmate Non-Consensual Sexual Acts	0	5	0	5
Inmate-Inmate Sexual Abuse	1	0	2	3
Inmate-Inmate Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0
Staff-Inmate Sexual Harassment	0	0	2	2
Staff Sexual Misconduct	0	0	1	1
Total	1	5	5	11

Aggregated data on Sexual Abuse Allegations and Comparison to Prior Use

The MSO has a zero-tolerance policy for sexual abuse. As such every allegation, report and/or discovery of sexual activity is investigated as if a PREA event occurred. Only after a full investigation are events defined as PREA violation or otherwise (i.e., consensual but unauthorized sexual activity that does not qualify as PREA).