

CALIFORNIA SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT FACILITY AND STATE PRISON, CSP-CORCORAN (CSATF/SP)

SYNOPSIS

On September 14, 2010, the Grand Jury met with the Chief Deputy Warden and staff of California Substance Abuse Treatment Facility (CSATF/SP) and State Prison at Corcoran for orientation. There was a briefing with a question and answer session prior to a tour of the facilities.

WHY THE GRAND JURY INVESTIGATED

Required by California Penal Code Section 919(b)

AUTHORITY

California Penal Code Section 919(b): The Grand Jury shall inquire into the condition and management of public jails and prisons within the County.

METHOD OF INVESTIGATION

The Grand Jury met with prison administrative staff and toured CSATF/SP. The Chief Deputy Warden and Public Information Officer escorted the Grand Jury on a tour of the facility grounds, a medical clinic, an educational facility, an exercise yard, and a housing unit.

BACKGROUND AND FACTS

There are approximately 6,600 inmates at CSATF/SP Corcoran. The all male facility provides 19 beds for dialysis patients. The state provides educational, vocational, re-entry, and self-help programs that are current by society standards. Programs provide inmates life and work skills which can be used in support of their efforts at reintegration into society. There are programs that provide educational and vocational opportunities and have provided inmates with 75 high school diplomas, 250 General Educational Diplomas (GED's) and 13 vocational trade certificates which are honored nationally. CSATF/SP has also developed a program providing refurbished bicycles to non profit organizations.

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

None

REPLY REQUIRED

None