

HILLSDALE COUNTY JAIL RECEIVES TOP AWARD FROM MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

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SHERIFF STAN BURCHARDT IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE HILLSDALE COUNTY JAIL HAS RECEIVED THE HIGHEST LOCAL JAIL AWARD FROM THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR STATE OF MICHIGAN **100% JAIL COMPLIANCE**. THE HILLSDALE COUNTY JAIL HAS REMAINED IN FULL COMPLIANCE WITH STATE ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FOR JAILS AND LOCKUPS INCLUDING STRICT ADHERENCE TO APPLICABLE STATUTES FOR HOUSING INMATES IN COUNTY JAILS. THE AWARD WAS ANNOUNCED AT THE COMPLETION OF THE ANNUAL JAIL INSPECTION AS ONE OF ONLY A HANDFUL OF COUNTIES TO RECEIVE SUCH HONORS. SHERIFF BURCHARDT STATES; *“THE JAIL STAFF HAS WORKED VERY DILIGENTLY TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A WELL OPERATED JAIL. THE AWARD PRESENTED BY THE MDOC SIGNIFIES THE COMMITMENT WHICH CORRECTION DEPUTIES AND JAIL ADMINISTRATION HAVE MADE TO IMPROVE THE FACILITY AND COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS FOR JAIL RULES OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN.”* THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS IS SATISFIED WITH ALL RULES, REGULATIONS AND POLICY OF THE HILLSDALE COUNTY JAIL AS IMPLEMENTED BY SHERIFF BURCHARDT AND FINDS IT TO BE IN COMPLETE COMPLIANCE WITH STATE OF MICHIGAN.

THIS AWARD REPRESENTS THE EIGHTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR OF JAIL COMPLIANCE BY HILLSDALE COUNTY SHERIF’S OFFICE. SHERIFF BURCHARDT STATES; *“WHILE THERE ARE SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES REGARDING THE COMPLEX OPERATIONS OF A JAIL, WE HAVE REMAINED COMMITTED TO MAKING THIS HIGHEST AWARD POSSIBLE WHILE IMPLEMENTING COST-SAVING PROGRAMS TO THE JAIL FOR MANDATED SERVICES.”* AS A RESULT OF CONSECUTIVE COMPLIANCE, THE JAIL WILL RECEIVE CONSIDERATION FOR FUTURE NON-INSPECTION OPTIONS AS DETERMINED BY THE STATE OF MICHGAN.

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