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### **WILLIAMSON COUNTY JAIL 2020 INSPECTION REPORT**

Criminal Justice Specialist Kathy Melvin inspected the Williamson County Jail on October 15, 2020. Entrance and exit interviews were conducted with Jail Administrator Chief Ferrell and Lieutenant Pinkerton.

#### **IMPROVEMENTS SINCE LAST INSPECTION**

1. Camera system—22 new cameras were purchased and all were upgraded from analog to digital.
2. DVR recording system was upgraded to a server based system for cameras.
3. Video visitation was revamped. Family/friends can now visit from an off-site location which is a great addition during the pandemic and inclement weather. Touch screen monitors allow detainees to utilize various request forms.

#### **NONCOMPLIANCE'S WITH *ILLINOIS COUNTY JAIL STANDARDS***

None.

**Kathy Melvin**  
**Criminal Justice Specialist**