

McCrossan Boys Ranch
Prison Rape Elimination Act: 2016 Annual Report

The McCrossan Boys Ranch mission statement: We are committed to supporting youth, strengthening families, and providing New Hope for a Better Life. Since the doors opened in 1955, our goals have been to keep young men safe, provide structure and consistency, prioritize education, and teach the value of hard work in order to help make healthy changes in their lives. The Prison Rape Elimination Act has helped McCrossan Boys Ranch attain these goals by providing additional standards which assist our staff and residents.

Our PREA team consisting of our Associate Director, Admissions and Program Manager/PREA Coordinator, Accreditation Manager, and our Nurse continued to educate our staff and youth at the Ranch about prevention, screening, reporting and response following a report, investigations, discipline, medical and mental health care. Our goal is always to ensure the safety of all our residents and our staff.

In June 2014, McCrossan Boys Ranch completed a PREA Audit. We contracted with the Department of Justice auditor, Glen McKenzie from Texas. **McCrossan met all standards and did not have any discrepancies in our files.** We will be scheduling our 2nd PREA Audit in upcoming months for 2017.

We have continued our partnership with The Compass Center, an advocacy group in Sioux Falls. They are a crisis hotline for sexual abuse available 24 hours a day 7 days a week. A group of Compass Center employees continue to meet with our residents educating them about sexual abuse, how to stay safe, how to report, emotions they might feel, and what their rights are. They continue to provide education to our young men along with the education McCrossan provides at intake.

Our goal will always be to keep our young men safe from harm especially while in our care. Any and all allegations of sexual misconduct are taken seriously and investigated fully. Over the past two years we have made improvements in three main areas: vulnerability/abuse screening results emailed at least monthly for childcare staff information, increased supervision of bathrooms through the electronic supervision checks placed in each bathroom in the cottages, and an increased/concentrated supervision during off Ranch activities (to include assigned seating in vehicles if needed). McCrossan Boys Ranch aggregated data for our annual report in order to answer all questions from the most recent version of the Survey of Sexual Violence-6 conducted by the Department of Justice.

In 2016, after reviewing aggregated data and conducting internal reviews, the PREA team has increased our education for staff and continued to stress the importance of supervision and safety. After any alleged PREA incident, we have reviewed our actions and continued to strive for improvements with supervision, reporting, processing and overall care of our residents.

McCrossan has a zero tolerance policy towards all forms of sexual misconduct to include sexual harassment and sexual abuse. We will continue to find ways to improve our supervision of our residents and staff to ensure safety. Thorough assessment, appropriate supervision, room assignments, and education will continue to be the main tools to prevent sexual misconduct or other behavioral issues at McCrossan Boys Ranch.

Executive Director Approval:



Date: 3/10/17

Report based on Annual Survey of Sexual Violence-6 for McCrossan Boys Ranch.

	Target Year	2016
	On December 31 st of the Target Year, how many males were held at McCrossan? (We have no females at our facility.)	62
	Between January 1 st and December 31 st of the Target Year, how many juveniles were admitted to the facility?	95
1	Between January 1st and December 31st of the Target Year, how many non-consensual youth on youth sexual acts were reported? -Nonconsensual sexual acts: contact of any person (resident) without his or her consent, or of a person who is unable to consent or refuse; AND contact between the penis and the vagina, or the penis and the anus including penetration, however slight; OR contact between the mouth and the penis, vagina, or anus.	3
1a	Of those acts in #1, how many were substantiated?	1
1b	Of those acts in #1, how many were unsubstantiated?	2
1c	Of those acts in #1, how many were unfounded?	0
1d	Of those acts in #1, how many are still under investigation?	0
2	Between January 1st and December 31st of the Target Year, how many youth on youth sexual contact acts were reported? -Sexual contact: Contact of any person without his or her consent, or of a person who is unable to consent or refuse; AND intentional touching, either directly or through the clothing, of genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or buttocks of any person.	1
2a	Of those acts in #2, how many were substantiated?	1
2b	Of those acts in #2, how many were unsubstantiated?	0
2c	Of those acts in #2, how many were unfounded?	0
2d	Of those acts in #2, how many are still under investigation?	0
3	Between January 1st and December 31st of the Target Year, how many allegations of staff sexual misconduct were reported? -Consensual or nonconsensual sexual acts include: intentional touching of the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or buttocks with the intent to abuse, arouse, or gratify sexual desire; OR completed attempted, threatened, or requested sexual acts; OR occurrences of indecent exposure, invasion of privacy, or staff voyeurism for sexual gratification.	4
3a	Of those acts in #3, how many were substantiated?	1
3b	Of those acts in #3, how many were unsubstantiated?	3
3c	Of those acts in #3, how many were unfounded?	0
3d	Of those acts in #3, how many are still under investigation?	0
4	Between January 1st and December 31st of the Target Year, how many allegations of staff sexual harassment on youth were reported? -Demaining references to gender or derogatory comments about body or clothing; OR repeated profane or obscene language or gestures.	0
4a	Of those acts in #4, how many were substantiated?	0
4b	Of those acts in #4, how many were unsubstantiated?	0
4c	Of those acts in #4, how many were unfounded?	0
4d	Of those acts in #4, how many are still under investigation?	0