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February 10, 2021

Honorable Cori Bush
United States Congresswoman
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Dear Congresswoman Bush:

The following answers are in response to your letter addressed to Mayor Lyda Krewson, Public Safety Director Jimmie Edwards and myself Commissioner Dale Glass dated February 8, 2021. If you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your leadership.

- 1) From March 2020 to present we have tested 752 detainees. During that same time frame there have been 100 positives. Currently there are three (3) COVID-19 positives in Corrections (MSI).
 - No detainee has been hospitalized. No one has died inside of CJC as a result of COVID-19.
 - Corrections commit to posting data on its website for public view. Daily updates may be more frequent than we can manage. We hope to provide weekly updates.
- 2) Corrections post the standard information posted by the CDC such as, social distancing and mask wearing. We take temperatures of everyone entering the facilities and provide a mask. We also provide hand sanitizing stations.
- 3) We provide detainees with four (4) masks every two (2) weeks. However, anyone may request additional whenever needed. Other protective equipment is

available as required. Our stock level of masks is 10,000. We are able to obtain more from The City Supply at any time.


- 4) There are two people at CJC on Writ from the Missouri Department of Corrections. There are 784 Pre-Trial Detainees. The daily population information changes several times a day. Today there are 754 felonies, eight (8) misdemeanors and two (2) ordinance. The information (dashboard) is on The City Website. The average length of stay is as follows: 2019-223 days, 2020-314 days and 2021-344 days.
- 5) The City of St. Louis Division of Corrections has utilized CARES Act Funds to purchase the following items used to sanitize our two (2) facilities and provide PPE to Officers and Detainees:
 - Surgical Masks
 - N95 Masks
 - Isolation Gowns
 - Surgical Gowns
 - Face Shields
 - Safety Glasses
 - Nitrile Gloves
 - Hand Sanitizer
 - Surface Disinfectant
 - Electrostatic Sprayers, Backpack Sprayers
 - Thermometers
 - Temperature Sensing Kiosks

In addition, funds were used to pay for an outside vendor to sanitize both facilities every other week starting in April 2020. Both facilities have also had the GPS-IMOD air purification system installed inside the HVAC equipment.
- 6) We do not use solitary confinement or any form of Supermax. The average length of time on Disciplinary Segregation is ten (10) days or less.
 - Those involved in the recent disturbance are still in segregation. Restrictions are reduced based on their actions and need for security. They will have regular reviews.
- 7) The status of the detainees from January 1, 2021, is the same as noted in item number six (6).
- 8) Corrections is compelled to comply with the State of Missouri's protocol for COVID-19 vaccinations. Currently, requests have been made to the St. Louis

Health Department to vaccinate detainees that are at least 65 years old, pregnant women, and detainees with specific underlying medical conditions.

- 9) See response to number eight (8).
- 10) We do not maintain a daily temperature log. The temperature at both locations are set at 72 degrees year-round. The heating and cooling system is one year old and computerized.

Sincerely,



Dale Glass
Commissioner of Corrections
St. Louis City Justice Center

cc: Hon. Lyda Krewson
Mayor, City of St. Louis

Judge Jimmie Edwards
Director of Public Safety