

The following outlines the implementation and review of the policy recommendations made by the Tempe Police Department:

1) **DO 8252, p.1** - 24-48 hour commitments

- This section of the policy has been removed as it was originally related to out of jurisdiction confinements at the Via Linda facility and is no longer applicable. The review recommended removing the ability for detainees to bring a pen or pencil into the facility related to court ordered confinements. The only confinements that we now accept are 24 hour committals from our court. The policy reviewed by Tempe PD was the old "*stay to pay*" program, which we are no longer doing. Regardless, pens, pencils, books etc. are not accepted for these confinements or any others.

2) **Protocol when the Facility is full**

- Our policy has been strengthened in this area to include the use of the newer fenced holding cells between the south entry and sally port, along with additional policy dictates to reduce the prisoner population, when at maximum capacity, through transport to a County holding facility; transfer of misdemeanor prisoners to another municipal holding facility; or, bringing in a Scottsdale City Judge to hold initial appearance hearings to reduce the strain on the jail. The review did not observe a policy related to this topic and so we have now created one.

3) **DO 8230, p.2** - Searches in view of video surveillance.

- Language has been added to policy to say all prisoner searches will be done in view of video surveillance. The review noted that strip searches were not explicitly covered in the policy regarding in view of video surveillance, this has been remedied with the addition of the word "all" in the policy.

4) **DO 8231, p.1** - Increase frequency of visual inspection from 30 minutes to 15 minutes and 5 minutes for restrained.

- We do not concur with this recommendation. After reviewing best practices in detention facilities around the valley here is what we found: Glendale PD, 30 minute welfare checks; Mesa PD, 30 minute welfare checks – head count on the hour, visual on the ½ hour; Gilbert/Chandler combined detention facility, 30 minute welfare checks. We currently sit at 30 minute welfare checks, which is the standard for the valley. Moving to 15 minute welfare checks is not recommended and would have a negative impact on our staffing levels due to the increased workload.

5) **DO 8241, p.1** - Provide clarification on not accepting detainees who have an "illness"

- This amendment has already been made in a policy rewrite and the word "illness" has been removed. Clarification of medical conditions that will not be accepted have been included in policy. The review expressed concern about the vagueness of the term "illness," and thus, was removed.

The policy amendments mentioned above are in draft form along with several other policy revisions and will move through our policy review process this month. A directive was sent to detention staff requiring that all searches be conducted within view of the video surveillance prior to the policy being finalized. A comprehensive overhaul of the overcapacity policy is underway, in addition to the issues addressed by the Tempe PD review.