

Q & A from Community Member

1. Agenda Item b on the March 9, 2023 agenda (Out of Compliance). Does this mean that if the state took their inmates, the census could be 27 fewer?
 - a. Technically yes. However, the list is very volatile and changes frequently. It may be 27 one day and a week later, it could be 8. The 27 is a snapshot of a particular day. by the next week, some of those individuals could be released locally or transferred to the DOC. For example, 7 people are being transferred to the DOC this week. In addition, some of those people on the list have release dates that are so close that the DOC won't take them because it would be disruptive to the individual and their family and I support that.
2. Agenda item c (Census Report). What does ADP mean? The total is 179 but the Census is much more.
 - a. Average Daily Population
 - b. This was a mathematical / formula error and it will be corrected for the next board meeting. However, the 179 figure was incorrectly determined by dividing the total number of inmate days from July 2022 through January 2023, 65,405 by 365 = 179. The ADP for January was 315 and is what is reported to the state compensation board to determine how much per diem the jail will receive for that month. We receive a per diem payment equal to one day even if the person is only here for a few minutes until they receive bond, etc. That number includes everyone who comes through the door even if they only stay a few minutes or a few hours. However, to determine our operational ADP we use the number of people in the jail at 8:00 am each morning. This is a more predictive number since it is based on steadier and less volatile fluctuations throughout the day and evening.
3. Item e (Special Management Housing). What is Special Management Housing?
 - a. Special Management Housing is used for anyone who cannot be or is not housed in general population. This can be for medical reasons, mental health concerns (not yet stabilized on medication), behavioral, assaultive, disciplinary, etc. Although they are in a special management cell and by themselves, those cells are not single occupancy. They are designed per 1970's architectural standards for 2 people. They are very inefficient use of housing. Taking up 2 beds for 1 person. This is the importance of building a dedicated and purpose built special management unit.
4. On the page titled Five Year Average Census, Charlottesville's debt service is \$104,858. Will that debt be paid off before the renovation debt is added? What is that debt from?

- a. The debt listed above is the estimated “interest only payment” from the funds borrowed to finance the architectural and engineering services to design the renovation and expansion IF approved to proceed. The jail has not borrowed any funds towards the expansion and renovation. However, I believe you may be referring to the jail’s previous debt which was paid off in the spring of 2021. This debt was used to finance the partial renovation and expansion that occurred between 1997 and 2000. The jail currently has no debt.
5. In the last quarter of 2022 the average Length of Stay was 36 days. I asked Neal Goodloe and he told me the median length of stay in 2022 was 3.69 days and that of the 2946 intakes done in 2022, 43% stayed 2 days or less.
 - a. The average length of stay is calculated by dividing the total number of inmate days per fiscal year divided by the number of inmates who came in that same year, the last information received from Neal had an average LOS of 36. The median length of stay removes the outliers and recalculates the LOS by using all inmates who stayed more than 2 days and those serving less than 2 years. The median length of stay is 22 days.