KENDALL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

ANNUAL USE OF FORCE ANALYSIS AND REPORT

CORRECTIONS DIVISION

CALENDAR YEAR 2021 USE OF FORCE ANALYSIS AND REPORT

REPORT CREATED BY

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In accordance with Kendall County Sheriff's Office Custody Manual Use of Force policy, an annual report shall be prepared documenting the identification of any trends in use of force by our members, training needs recommendations, recommendations for equipment needs, and policy revisions recommendations.

In a correctional environment, force would generally be applied for four reasons. Those reasons are to prevent harm to the inmate or others, to restore or maintain order (safety and security), to protect an inmate from self-harm, and to prevent escape.

From January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, the Kendall County Corrections Division was involved in a total of thirty-one (31) use of force incidents. All thirty-one (31) use of force incidents were administratively reviewed.

1. Identification of any trends in use of force by members:

- a) Each use of force incident was found to be reasonable, necessary, and within policy and procedure after thorough and timely review process conducted by supervisors and administrators.
- b) During this annual analysis, it was determined that there were thirty-one (31) use of force incidents in 2021. Of those thirty-one (31) use of force incidents fourteen (14) or 45% were applied to prevent injury to inmates or to others; thirteen (13) or 42% were to restore or maintain order in the facility; and four (4) or 13% were to protect from self-harm.
- c) There were no claims of excessive force alleged by the people force was used upon.
- d) The number of use of force incidents increased from 26 in 2020 to 31 in 2021.
- e) The Average Daily Population increased from 139 in 2020 to 146 in 2021.
- f) In 2021, the Kendall County Corrections Division was involved in thirty-one (31) use of force incidents. Force was applied to 18 different individuals. Seven (7) individuals had force applied in more than one incident during their incarceration.

2. Training needs recommendations:

- a) All of the incidents where force was applied in 2021 were found to be reasonable, necessary, and within policy and procedure. This can be attributed to the regular training that the deputies undergo.
- b) Each year, deputies receive the following training related to the application of force:
 - Weapons training
 - Self defense
 - Confrontation avoidance procedures
 - Communication techniques
 - Defusing techniques
 - Application of restraints
 - Forced cell extraction techniques
 - Use of force team techniques
 - General restraint training (soft and hard restraints)
- c) The Office will continue to utilize the Corrections One Online Training Academy and the Spark Training Programs to supplement the required annual training and keep staff up to date with the current trends in Corrections.

3. Equipment needs recommendations:

- a) In November of 2020, the Kendall County Sheriff's Office implemented Body worn cameras (BWC), since then, we have been able to capture both audio and video recording of all uses of force that have been applied. The need for additional body cameras for use by Command Staff, Part Time Transport Deputies, and to allow time to fully charge cameras between uses was identified.
- b) The need for concave capture shields to allow for containment with reduced skin to skin contact and to protect both inmates and staff from injury was identified.

4. Policy revision recommendations:

- a) Upon review of the Kendall County Custody Manual, I am recommending no changes to the policies regulating use of force at this time.
- b) Policies will be continually reviewed and updated to remain in compliance with changes in the laws governing the use of force.

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