## KENDALL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## ANNUAL ADMINISTRATIVE INTERNAL INVESTIGATIONS ANALYSIS AND REPORT

## CORRECTIONS DIVISION

CALENDAR YEAR 2023 ADMINISTRATIVE INTERNAL INVESTIGATIONS ANALYSIS AND REPORT

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Kendall County Sheriff's Office 1102 Cornell Ln. Yorkville, IL 60560 630-553-7500 The Kendall County Sheriff's Office takes all complaints seriously regarding the service provided by the Office and the conduct of its members. We accept and address all complaints of misconduct in accordance with federal, state, and local law, county ordinances, the policies and rules of this Office, and the requirements of any collective bargaining agreements. It is also the policy of this department to ensure that the community and inmates can report alleged misconduct without concern for reprisal or retaliation.

Personnel complaints include any allegation of misconduct or improper job performance that, if true, would constitute a violation of federal, state, or local law, county ordinance, or, Office policy or rule. Personnel complaints may be generated internally, by inmates, or by the public. The Sheriff's Office will accept complaints anonymously and has been doing so since our Citizen Complaint policy was implemented in June of 2004.

Inquiries about conduct or performance that, if true, would not violate federal, state, or local law, county ordinance, policy, or rule may be handled informally by a supervisor and shall not be considered a personnel complaint, however; they are investigated thoroughly and documented appropriately. Such inquiries generally include clarification regarding policy, procedures, or the response to specific incidents by the Office. For inquiries that are satisfied by providing such information, no further investigation shall be required.

At the conclusion of all the investigated formal complaints received either internally or externally, the employee assigned to conduct the investigation shall conclude their report by classifying the disposition into one of the following categories:

**Unfounded** - When the investigation discloses that the alleged acts did not occur or did not involve department members. Complaints that are determined to be frivolous will fall within the classification of unfounded.

**Exonerated** - When the investigation discloses that the alleged act occurred but that the act was justified, lawful, and/or proper.

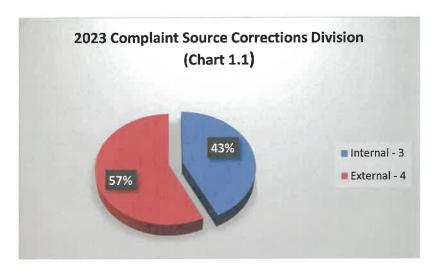
Not sustained - When the investigation discloses that there is insufficient evidence to sustain the complaint or fully exonerate the member.

**Sustained** - When the investigation discloses sufficient evidence to establish that the act occurred and that it constituted misconduct.

If an investigation discloses misconduct or improper job performance that was not alleged in the original complaint, the investigator shall take action about any additional allegations including initiating a separate investigation when necessary.

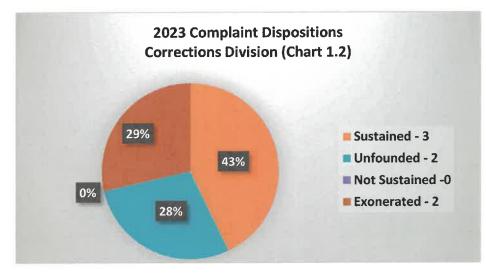
A summary of the complaints received and investigated in 2023 is included in this report as well as a year-to-year comparison for the timeframe between 2020-2023. The Sheriff's Office conducts reviews of Use of Force incidents separately, those investigations are not part of this report and are documented in an independent analysis and report. The Sheriff's Office also conducts reviews of Prison Rape Elimination Act complaints, those investigations are

not part of this report and are documented in an independent analysis and report.



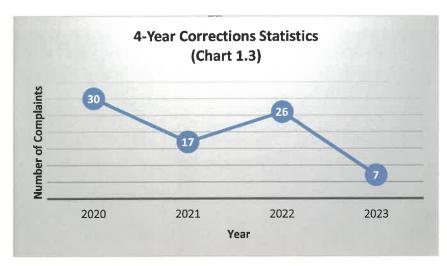
In 2023, The Kendall County Sheriff's Office Corrections Division investigated a total of 7 complaints. These internal investigations consisted of policy infractions that occurred during a department member's regular course of duty. Three (3) of these complaints were initiated internally and four (4) complaints were initiated externally.

In 2023, Corrections deputies processed 2,406 inmates into the Kendall County Jail. The Kendall County Jail had an average daily population of 81 inmates in 2023. The Corrections staff is in constant contact with the daily population of inmates housed in the jail, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

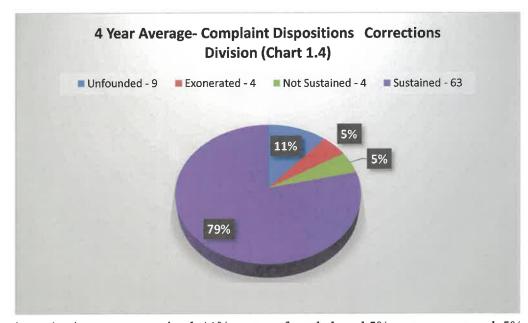


In 2023, all 7 complaints were investigated and handled with the appropriate corrective action and preventative actions ranging from counseling to suspension. These ranged from complaints of inmates to infractions that occurred during the

department member's regular course of duty. After a review of these complaints, three (3) complaints were sustained, two (2) were unfounded and two (2) were exonerated.



Since 2020, the Corrections Division has averaged 20 administrative internal investigations per year (Chart 1.3). A list of the 2023 administrative internal investigations and their dispositions is attached as a separate document to this analysis (Chart 1.5).



Since 2020, the Kendall County Corrections Division has been responsible for 80 administrative internal investigations. The Corrections Division 4-year average as depicted in Chart 1.4 indicates that 80% of the administrative

investigations were sustained, 11% were unfounded, and 5% were exonerated, 5% were not sustained.

As we move forward, the Sheriff's Office will continue to update our administrative internal investigation process. The Kendall County Corrections Division will continue to abide by its mission which is to serve the citizens of Kendall County by enhancing safety through the operation of a safe, secure, and humane correctional facility that establishes structure and accountability for all offenders who are arrested and accused of a crime; as well as those convicted and sentenced to incarceration by the courts. These efforts are accomplished by highly trained and dedicated correctional professionals.

I have no additional recommendations or observations regarding our administrative internal investigations process.

Deputy Commander William Curry

Commander Jeanne Russo

Chief Deputy Mike Peters

Sheriff Dwight Baird

2023 - Corrections Internal Investigations (chart 1.5)		
Internal/External	Division	Disposition
External	Corrections	Unfounded
Internal	Corrections	Sustained
Internal	Corrections	Sustained
External	Corrections	Exonerated
External	Corrections	Exonerated
Internal	Corrections	Sustained
External	Corrections	Unfounded