



Denton County Juvenile Probation

210 S. Woodrow Lane
Denton, TX 76205

Pre-Adjudicated Facility
(Detention)

Post-Adjudicated Facility
(Courage-To-Change)

An Information Sheet For Parents, Guardians, and Custodians Regarding The:

PRISON RAPE ELIMINATION ACT (PREA)

- PREA is a Federal Act supporting the elimination, reduction, and prevention of sexual assault and rape within juvenile facilities. The Denton County Juvenile Probation Department maintains a zero tolerance policy towards sexual abuse and sexual harassment of the juveniles we serve in accordance with PREA standards. The zero tolerance policy applies to all employees, contractors, interns, and volunteers who work in any capacity for DCJP, who provide services to juveniles who are in our care, custody, or control, or who may come into close contact with them.

- All residents will receive an age-appropriate comprehensive education explaining our zero tolerance policy towards sexual abuse and sexual harassment and their right to be free from these, including retaliation for reporting such incidents.

- Residents will be educated on how they can report incidents (or suspicions) of sexual abuse and/or sexual harassment, and DCJP policies and procedures for responding to such incidents.

- Information obtained from juveniles during initial assessments will be used to make appropriate decisions regarding housing, program, and educational assignments with the goal of keeping all residents safe.

- **Third parties (parents, attorneys, counselors, etc.) have the right to report incidents (or suspicions) of sexual abuse and sexual harassment on behalf of residents of the Denton County Juvenile Detention Center and/or the Courage-To-Change Program. Third party reports can be made to DCJP staff, to the Texas Juvenile Justice Department, or to the Denton County Sheriff's Office. (see Third Party Contact Information below)**

- All alleged incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in the Pre or Post-Adjudication facilities will be investigated by the Denton County Sheriff's Office, and administratively by DCJP and the Texas Juvenile Justice Department.

THIRD PARTY CONTACT INFORMATION:

DCJP Director or Deputy Director: (940) 349-2400
Texas Juvenile Justice Department: (877) 786-7263

A Parent and Community Grievance Report form may be obtained from our website at:

<http://dentoncounty.com/~media/Departments/Probation/Juvenile-Probation/PDFs/Parent-and-Community-Grievance-Report.pdf>

You may submit the form by email to:

Kendra.Garner-Oshunkentan@dentoncounty.com
or

You may submit the form by mail, fax or in person to:

Denton County Juvenile Probation
Attn: Kendra Garner, Grievance Officer
210 Woodrow Lane
Denton, Texas 76205

Fax (940) 349-2471