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Bradley County Jail receives second consecutive certification from Tennessee Corrections Institute

CLEVELAND, Tn. (June 18, 2021) — Following an unannounced inspection by the Tennessee Corrections Institute, the Bradley County Jail has received positive results with zero deficiencies found, including an official certification from the TCI Board of Control. This is the second consecutive year that the Bradley County Jail has made this accomplishment.

The Tennessee Corrections Institute's jail inspection was based on the following categories: sanitation, hygiene, medical services, food services, inmate programs and activities, mail and visitation, supervision of inmates, security, maintenance, admission, records and release, physical plant, administration and management, personnel, discipline and classification. The state's inspection was conducted on June 10 of 2021, with no deficiencies found.

"The Tennessee Corrections Institute recently inspected the [Bradley County Jail]," says William Wall, TCI Executive Director, in a letter to Sheriff Steve Lawson. "The inspection revealed this facility meets all applicable minimum standards . . . You are to be congratulated for attaining this degree of professionalism in your organization."

Inspectors also commented to the sheriff that the Bradley County Jail is one of the most clean and well kept correctional facilities they have inspected.

"I am very pleased to see our jail receive the results that it did from the TCI, and am especially proud of receiving the certification from the state's Board of Control for the second year in a row," says Sheriff Lawson. "I want to recognize and sincerely thank my corrections staff for their hard work in achieving this great milestone — You all are foundational to the success of our jail's operations. Over the past three years, a great majority of my focus and energy as sheriff has been directed towards improving the condition and functionality of our jail little by little, day by day. I believe this certification speaks to that and the efforts of our jail's leadership."

The Bradley County Jail's certification was received from the TCI Board of Control on June 10 of 2021 following their review and approval.

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