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It is my pleasure to present this supplemental report to provide you with a summary of the accomplishments the Macon County, IL Sheriff's Office (MCSO) since June 30, 2020. Please recall, on July 30, 2020, we issued a report which detailed our accomplishments of FY2019 and FY2020 (as of June 2020).

[\[To read Sheriff Brown's Letter, dated July 30, 2020, please click on this link\]](#)

I continue to be amazed about the level of professionalism our members display; I am very proud of the work they do. Even in the challenging environment we had due to the pandemic, they remained highly dedicated and committed to ensure a safe environment for our community.

Below is a list of the MCSO accomplishments and significant activities from July 1, 2020 to May 31, 2021:

Revenue Generation

Since June 2020, through our federal inmate housing agreement, we contributed \$1,813,161 to the Macon County General Fund:

- The total contributed in FY2020 was \$1.195M. (We reported \$250,000 as of June 30, 2020; thus, between July 1 and November 30, 2020, we generated an additional \$945,000.)
- From December 2020 to May 31, 2021, we contributed \$617,600. Our projected total contribution for FY2021 is \$1.1M. As you can see, we have already reached 56.146% of the goal.

For this reporting period, we generated a total of \$151,742 from the collection of bails and fines:

- The total contributed in FY2020 was \$104,107. (We reported \$50,532 as of June 30th; the remainder of the fiscal year, we contributed \$53,575.)
- FY2021 to date, we contributed \$47,635. Our projected total contribution for the fiscal year is \$105K; thus far, we have reached 45.803% of the goal.

Recapping the revenue generated, we reduced the tax payer's burden for our operation:

| Fiscal Year (FY) | Federal Housing | Bails and Fines | Total Generated | Percentage of \$14M budget |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| FY2019 | \$927,481 | \$161,120 | \$1,088,601 | 07.7757% |
| FY2020 | \$1,195,000 | \$104,107 | \$1,299,107 | 09.7793% |
| FY2021 @ May2021 | \$617,600 | \$47,635 | \$665,235 | 04.7517% |



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Forfeiture Funds

For this reporting period, we received a total of \$20,586 in forfeiture funds as a result of our participation in joint investigations with other law enforcement agencies:

- In FY2020, we received \$7685. The pandemic had a dramatic affect on these investigations.
- FY2021 to date, we received \$12,901.

Personnel Actions

During this reporting period, we promoted three (3) Correctional Officers to the Deputy Sheriff position. They are scheduled to attend the requisite training later in FY2021. Also, we filled an administrative support position assigned to the Emergency Management Agency.

Employee Negotiation

During this reporting period, we negotiated a work schedule contract with the Deputies and Correctional Officers without compromising coverage. This new work schedule increased employee morale.

Operational Upgrade/Enhancement

As a result of our evaluation of operations, we upgraded some processes with new technology in FY2021:

- We employed new software to assist with civil process efficiency and cost savings for the Macon County Sheriff's Office and Taxpayers
- We purchased the Sheriff's App, which is soon to be launched to the Macon County community, giving them easy access to information from the Sheriff's Office, Decatur Police Department, Emergency Management Agency, and community events; thereby, creating an opportunity for the Sheriff's Office to enhance its image and become a better community partner

COVID Response

In addition to the previously-reported activation of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) to respond to the COVID pandemic, in FY2020, we:

- Installed Negative Pressure (non-recycled air) areas throughout the Macon County Jail's 425-bed facility to help prevent or reduce the spread of COVID-19
- Worked with the Macon County State Attorney's and Public Defender's offices to exercise our office's policy to release detainees who were housed in the jail for minor, non-violent offenses, thereby, reducing the chance to spread the virus
- Placed each new detainee in a 14-day quarantine



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- Tested each new detainee for the COVID-19 virus and forwarded the swabs to Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) for the results
- Ascertained that the Public Building Commission implemented the Center of Disease Control's (CDC) cleaning/disinfecting protocol
- Ensured that each detainee and Correctional Officer had personally- issued sanitizing supplies
- Ensured that each Deputy Sheriff had access to the MCSO disinfectant cleaner to destroy or inactivate the virus in their individually-assigned, non-shared patrol cars

As a result of our above-mentioned actions, we had no positive COVID-19 cases amongst the Macon County Jail detainees in FY2020.

Yet even with the above-mentioned steps we took in FY2020 to control the spread of the virus, in February 2021, we had our first positive case of COVID-19 in a detainee. Upon notification, we continued with our established protocol, but increased the number of quarantine days for detainee. As of May 2021, we had no COVID cases.

Additional Information

Our focus since FY2019 was to “think out of the box” and lessen the financial burden of our operation on the Macon County taxpayer by generating revenue, without comprising our responsibility to serve and protect our citizens. Also, we wanted to implement MCSO transparency to the Macon County citizens. We are hopeful that this approach will continue to be the new blueprint for MCSO.

Again, I commend our employees for a job well-done.

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