

Reporting

Zero-Tolerance for Sexual Abuse in Detention

Sexual abuse in detention is a vastly underreported crime. As in the community, many victims of sexual abuse in custody don't report abuse due to shame, or a fear they won't be believed. It is also common for victims to face retaliation for speaking out. In recognition of these barriers, the Laguna Beach Temporary Holding Jail Facility applies the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) standards to allow for reporting safer and easier for victims of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. An example of one of these reporting provisions is to accept third-party reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

A third-party reporter is someone who reports sexual abuse and sexual harassment but is neither the victim nor the abuser. The person may have been told by the victim about the abuse or harassment, or witnessed it first-hand. "Third party" includes other inmates, members of staff, family members, legal representatives, contract employees, service providers, community or religious volunteers, among others.

The Laguna Beach Police Department investigates all in-custody allegations of sexual abuse. What can I do if I suspect that my loved one is being subjected to harassment, pressured to have sexual relations or is a victim of sexual abuse or assault?

- Immediately contact the on-duty Watch Commander at the Laguna Beach Jail (949) 497-0359 or the Laguna Beach Police Department (949) 497-0701.
- Encourage your loved one to report the incident and/or find support.

The Laguna Beach Police Department is dedicated to providing a safe and secure environment all detained individuals and personnel.

Laguna Beach Police Department has a Zero-Tolerance for all forms of sexual misconduct.

?Que puedo hacer yo si sospecho que mi ser querido esta siendo sujeto al acoso, presionado para tener relaciones sexuales o es victim de abuso o aggression sexual?

- Comuniquese inmediateamente con el Supervisor de turno de la carcel de Laguna Beach (949)497-0359.
- Anime a suser querido a denunciar el incidente y/o buscar ayuda.

El departamento de policia de Laguna Beach se compromete a proveer un ambiente sano y seguro para los internos y el personal.

El departamento de policia de Laguna Beach la politica de tolerancia cero para la conducta sexual inapropiada de culaquier tipo.