

Okaloosa County **Department of Corrections**

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Vision Statement

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The Okaloosa Department of Corrections is committed to upholding the highest standards of professionalism and integrity and being a leader in the field of corrections. Our vision is to create a safe and secure environment for both staff and inmates, while also providing opportunities for rehabilitation and reintegration into society.

We strive to provide a holistic approach to corrections, recognizing that each individual has unique needs and challenges. We will work closely with community partners and stakeholders to ensure that inmates have access to the resources and support they need to successfully transition back into their communities.

In order to achieve our vision, we will prioritize the following goals:

- 1. Safety and security: We will prioritize the safety and security of our staff, inmates, and community. This includes implementing best practices in security measures, training our staff on de-escalation techniques, and regularly evaluating and updating our policies and procedures.
- Rehabilitation and Reintegration: We will provide a range of programs and services designed to
 address the needs of inmates and help them become productive members of society upon release.
 These may include education, vocational training, substance abuse treatment, and mental health
 services.
- 3. Professionalism and integrity: We will hold ourselves to the highest standards of professionalism and integrity, recognizing that our actions have a direct impact on the lives of inmates and our community. We will foster a culture of respect and teamwork, and hold ourselves accountable to these values in all that we do.
- 4. Community engagement: We will work closely with community partners and stakeholders to ensure that inmates have the support they need to successfully reintegrate into their communities. We will also strive to be transparent and responsive to the needs and concerns of our community.

By focusing on these goals, we believe we can create a corrections system that is safe, effective, and rehabilitative, and that helps to build stronger and safer communities for all.

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