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Mays | Letter re: Custody Staff Screening Measures

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Dear Patrick,

The Sheriff is in receipt of your letter of August 7, 2023, in which you demanded a policy be created to screen all Sacramento Sheriff's Office (SSO) employees coming into the jail facilities. In that letter you claim such a policy is necessary to address the harm to inmates of drugs being smuggled into the facility. The Sheriff agrees that drugs smuggled into the facility is a serious concern. However, there is no evidence that such contraband is being brought into the facilities by SSO employees. SSO has investigated the possible sources of these narcotics entering the facilities and has enacted heightened screening protocols in booking and inmate visitation.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss this matter further.

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Dear Sheriff Cooper,
Attached please find a letter from Mays class counsel expressing serious concern about the failure of the Sacramento Sheriff's Office to take basic measures to prevent the introduction of contraband into the jails by custody staff.
We look forward to hearing your response.
Best,
Patrick Booth