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## **SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY JAIL #3 ANNEX OPENS FOR FIRST TIME IN 18 MONTHS DUE TO A RISE IN JAIL POPULATION**

*San Bruno Annex to accommodate recent surge*

**San Francisco, CA** – The Sheriff’s Office is opening the Annex at County Jail #3 in San Bruno in order to make room for a growing jail population. The number of incarcerated persons currently rests at 1,105, which is above last October’s daily average of 835, a 32% increase. Part of the reason for the recent boost in numbers stems from collaborative public safety efforts.

“Initial arrest levels increased as law enforcement contacted individuals with outstanding arrest warrants,” said **Sheriff Miyamoto**. “Part of the uptick in the current jail population can be attributed to people with multiple court cases being held to answer on arrests and charges on the same behavior. While we prioritize getting people to help and services, those who continue to repeat criminal behavior will end up in custody.”

According to the head of SFSO’s Custody Operations Division, the countywide incarcerated population has risen to a level where it is challenging to provide appropriate housing for all of the various classification needs, especially in the wake of the closure of the Bryant Street jail downtown on September 5, 2020. The seventh floor jail at that location held a maximum of 402 people.

“If you look back when the Bryant Street jails shuttered in 2020, there were many who warned that we had insufficient jail housing should there be even a moderate rise in arrests and/or convictions. We are now there,” said **Chief Deputy Lisette Adams**. “As our City continues to rebound from the pandemic, we face a new back-to-normal reality: we have more people being held accountable for their crimes and we need space to house them accordingly.”

The Annex is comprised of six open dorms, two of which are currently ready for use.

Jail population numbers are based on arrests, releases, and convictions. Whether it is patrolling the streets of Civic Center, serving as bailiffs in the court, monitoring criminal defendants placed by the courts on electronic monitoring, or providing housing and program opportunities in the jails, the Sheriff's Office is committed to doing its part to improve public safety in San Francisco.

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