

Renville County Jail



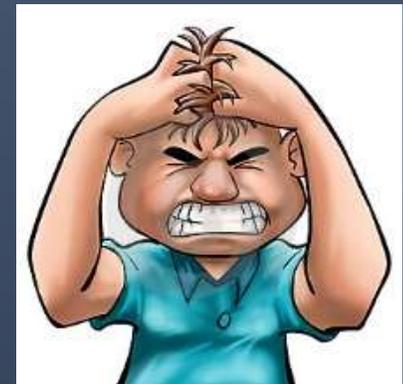
WE HAVE TO FIND A BETTER WAY BECAUSE.....

.....THEY MATTER!

Philosophy of Renville County Jail

We have a choice. We can treat inmates like many jails do and by the time they leave, they are discouraged and often times angry and frustrated. Many of these people live in Renville County. They might well be your neighbors.

Or.....



..... we can treat our inmates as we would want to be treated. They too are released into our communities but are released with hope for the future and the encouragement to do what is right. They too might well be your neighbors.



Who Are We?



- 72 Total Inmate Beds
- 6 Holding Cell Beds
- 65 Operation Capacity
- 2017 Average Daily Population was 66.2
- 2017 Male 75% Female 25%
- 2017 808 Bookings
- Weekday nursing staffed by RN and NP
- Additional mental health services by a Forensic Psychologist.
- Jail Administrator
- Assistant Jail Administrator
- Program Director
- Administrative Assistant
- 16 Full Time Corrections Officers
- 2 Transport Officers
- 1 GED Teacher
- 2 New Beginnings CD Counselors

Renville County Jail boards for these agencies:

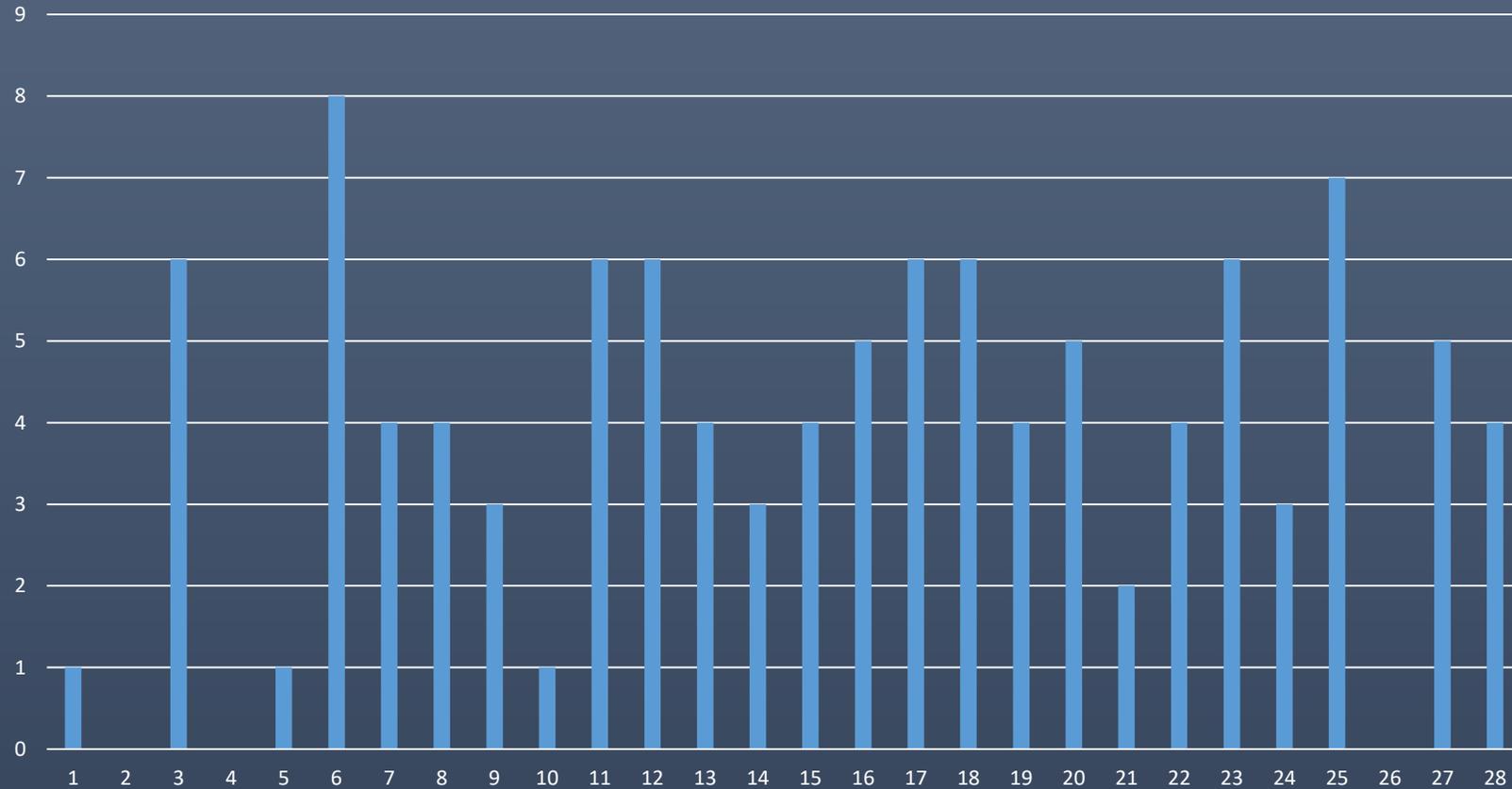
- ❖ Redwood County overflow
- ❖ Minnesota Department of Corrections
- ❖ Federal Bureau of Prisons
- ❖ In 2017, RCJ boarded for the following counties for reasons ranging from the treatment program to mental health issues: Sibley, Chippewa, Stevens, Martin, Cottonwood, McLeod, Kandiyohi, Swift, Brown and Nicollet Counties.

*What Does A Jail
Have To Do With
Resiliency?*

*Building Resiliency In
Those Who
Desperately Need It!*

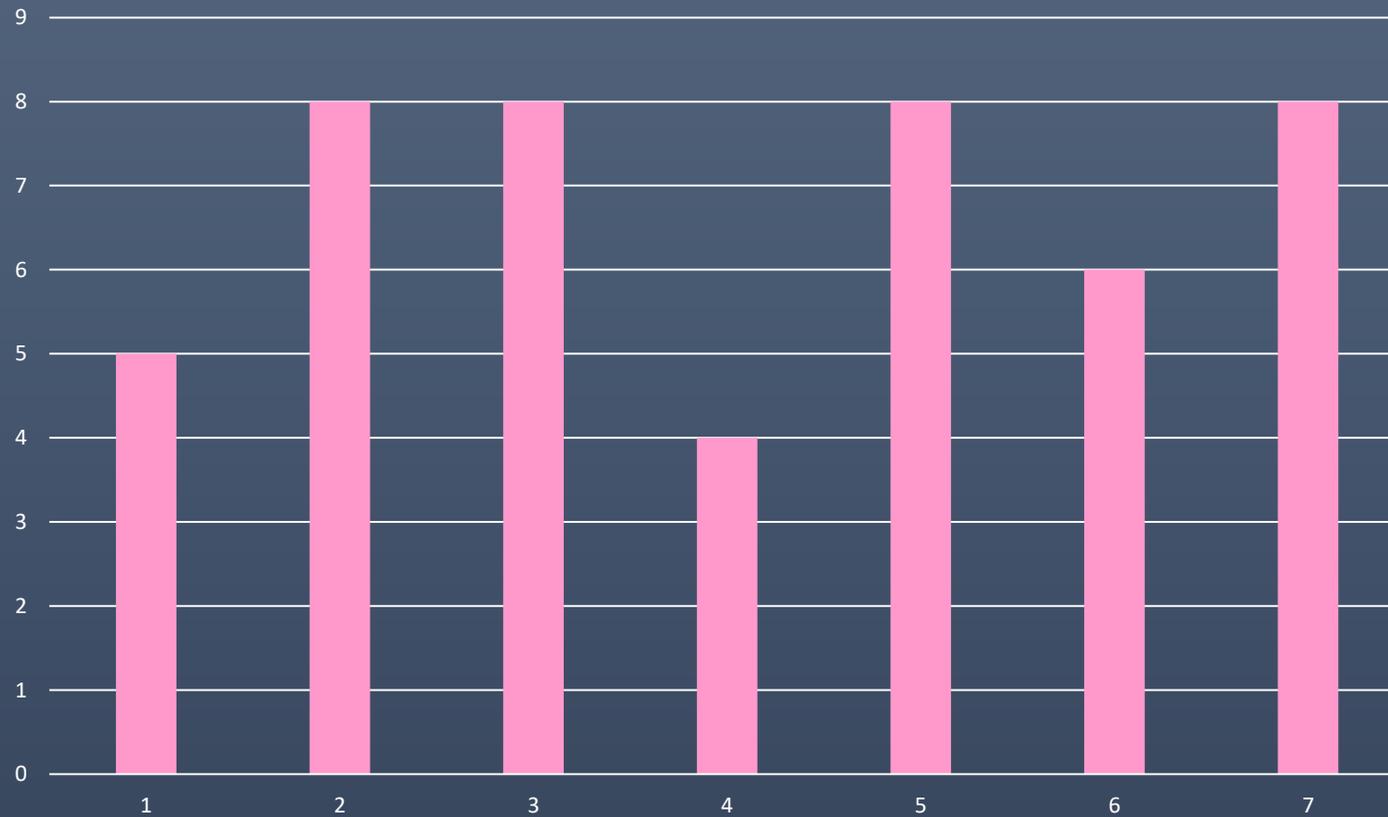
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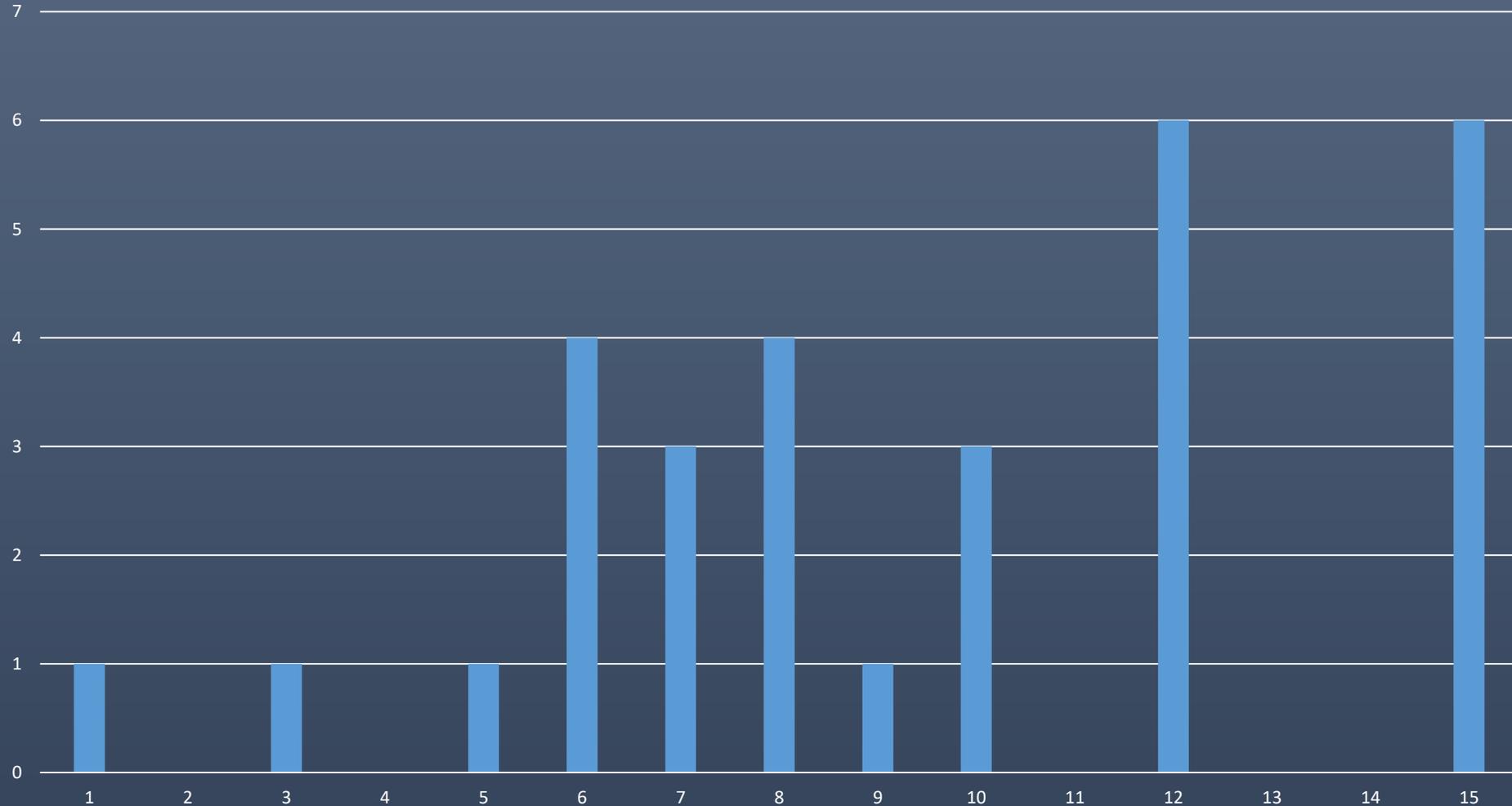
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Male's General Population With Children

Male's With # of Children



Now there is scientific evidence to back up our actions and our methods.

- We need inmates who are parents to actually BE PARENTS.
- Education.
- Toxic Stress is REAL.
- We need to start asking the right questions!

~~Why did you do that?~~

What caused you to do that?

~~You're going to be punished for that!~~

We're going to find a way help you break the
cycle of your past!



This is NOT
rocket
science.....

.....**Education**.....Education.....**Education**
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Since 2014, when the Renville County Jail started offering GED testing, there have been 63 GEDs earned and 1 high school diploma. In 2017, Renville County Jail's GED program had 20 inmates earn their GED and 1 inmate earned their high school diploma.



.....Recovery.....Recovery.....Recovery.....
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New Beginnings (Meridian) has two full time counselors inside the jail. Mia (left) conducts the inside of jail in-patient and Kelsie (left) is the intake coordinator and aftercare counselor, both group and individual. In 2017, 53 inmates successfully completed the jail treatment program.



RCJ receives cards and letters from former inmates and families of former inmates thanking the jail for caring about them.

My personal favorite..... “Renville County Jail saved my life!”



In 2015, RCJ was recognized by the Minnesota Corrections Association by receiving the ***President's Award*** for innovative ways to advocate for inmates in all areas of the operation.

But does all this really
make a difference?



Yes it does!



But this must really be
expensive, right?

PER DIEM RATE BASED ON ADP BY CONTIGUOUS COUNTIES



*Renville Co has the lowest per diem rate of any of the contiguous counties, and the lowest per diem rate of any class III facility in MN

Correctional Facilities need to find—must find—a better way to ask the right questions.

We are Correctional Facilities,
NOT Punishment Facilities. We

now have the facts as to what doesn't work,
so let's find ways that will work!



In good corrections,

Fair does not mean the Same,

Consistent does not mean Fair.

Do no harm!



The commitment **MUST** start at the top with strong leadership. Sometimes it takes a change in philosophy. Sometimes it takes a change in people.



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