State Correctional Institution at Phoenix

Fact Sheet

Property

* On the same grounds as SCI Graterford, totaling 1652 acres
* Total Acreage inside fence - 164
* 1.6 mile perimeter
* Maximum Security Prison

Construction

* Design - two correctional facilities featuring one shared Administration/Centralized Services Building
* Subdivided into two separate sections of the facility – “East” and “West”
* The Centralized Services Building houses Admin, Medical and Food Service, serving both East and West sides
* The construction of SCI Phoenix is a collaboration of Chicago based construction company, Walsh Construction, and Atlanta based construction company, Heery Construction
* Approximate Price of Construction $400 million

Employees

* The facility has 1,108 full-time employees.

Facility

* Replaces SCI Graterford
* Some administration offices will continue to be utilized at SCI Graterford, including Business and HR
* Improve safety and security
* Better serve the needs of a long term population
* Provides additional space for educational, vocational programs
* Energy efficient LED motion censored lights

Population

* Bed Capacity – 3,884 (within perimeter)
* 147 (Outside Service Unit or OSU; built in 2002)
* 192 (Female Transition Unit or FTU)
  + **TOTAL**= 4,223

Housing Units

* Total of 15 housing units within the perimeter (8 on the West side; 7 on the East side)
* East will primarily house parole violators, new receptions
* West will house General Pop inmates
* 11 General Population Housing Units -- each housing 282
* 4 maximum-security housing units (2 on each side) – each housing 182
* Capital Unit (EAST) – 96 cell unit

Over 1/3 of state’s capital cases are from the Philadelphia

Moving capital cases closer to Philadelphia will reduce court related costs/escorts

Female Transitional Unit

* First of its kind in PA
* Bed Capacity of 192
* On property, but not inside perimeter
* Nearly 1/3 female offenders in PA are from Philadelphia and surrounding counties
* Will focus on reentry and reunification with family
* Inmates will be closer to home to enable reconnecting with family prior to release
* Currently two state prisons housing female inmates -- SCI Muncy and SCI Cambridge Springs

Program Service Buildings

* Separate Program Service Buildings on both East and West
* Non-denominational chapel providing Catholic, Protestant, Jewish, Islam, Seventh Day Adventists, Christian Services Scientists, Jehovah Witnesses, Episcopalian, as well as Native American Services
* Over 30 classrooms for vocational and educational
* Barber shop
* Mural Arts Program
* Gym

Treatment

* School

Adult Basic Education

Vocational Classes

Barbering School, Custodial Maintenance, International Computer Driving License, Carpentry, Restaurant Professions & Serv Safe, Warehouse Operations, Pathways to Success and Money Smart.

Law Library

Recreational Library

* Programs

Alcohol and Other Drugs

Dual Diagnosis Groups

Relapse Prevention

AA and NA Support Meetings

Violence Prevention

Batterers

Sex Offender Treatment

Victim Awareness

Impact of Crime

Correctional Industries

* Laundry (WEST)

Employs between 50-70 inmate laundry workers

Provides laundry services for Eastern Region SCIs, as well other state agencies

* Garment Factory (EAST)
* Comprised of a Garment Shop, Underwear Shop and a Hosiery Shop
* Will employ approximately 140 inmates
* Uses 17 knitting machines to produce the cloth to make all the Underwear products and 10 knitting machines that produce socks and ski caps
* Production: Brown T-Shirts, Jockey Shorts, Boxer Briefs, Women’s Underwear, Long John Tops and Bottoms, Terry Cushion Sole Socks (Natural and White), Tube Socks, Crew Socks, Ski Caps (inmates), Ski Caps (staff), Baseball Caps winter twill and summer mesh in brown and gray, Inmate pants and shirts, long sleeve and short sleeve in brown (gen population, navy blue and chambray blue shirts (new receptions) and royal blue (mental health)
* Shoe Factory (EAST)
* Employs approximately 60 inmates.
* Men’s work boot
* Women’s oxford shoe
* Boot and Shoe Repair

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