



**SPECIAL EDITION**

**DETROIT DETENTION CENTER ANNOUNCED**

The Michigan Department of Corrections (MDOC) and the city of Detroit have signed an Intergovernmental Agreement that calls for the reopening of the state-owned Mound Correctional Facility. The facility, renamed the Detroit Detention Center (DDC), will serve as a city lockup for arrestees who may be held for up to 72 hours.

"This is a great example of city and state collaboration that can lead to a better quality of life for Detroiters," said Governor Snyder. "This cost-effective, common-sense solution allows our respective agencies -- the Detroit Police Department (DPD) and the Michigan Department of Corrections -- to focus on criminal justice functions that closely align with their core missions, resulting in more Detroit police officers on the street and helping improve public safety, which is crucial to the continued reinvention of Detroit."

"This partnership agreement between the city and the state is a significant one that will allow Detroit police officers currently assigned to the lockups to return to neighborhood patrols," Mayor Bing said. "In addition, this new arrangement will improve the conditions for police detainees, which is an important aspect of DPD's restructuring plan and could have a favorable impact on the city's consent decree with the U.S. Department of Justice."

Anthony Stewart, the current Acting Warden at the Michigan Reformatory will manage the Detroit Detention Center when it opens.

**Highlights of the Agreement:**

- Allow the DPD to return 40 certified police officers to patrol the city of Detroit who are currently assigned to lockup duty. This arrangement would produce additional law enforcement officers in the community thereby enhancing public safety.
- Turn prisoner custody duties over to the MDOC - an entity with highly-trained staff and tremendous experience in performing this function.
- Create a cost-effective and efficient partnership between state and local government, allowing each agency (DPD and MDOC) to pursue criminal justice functions more closely aligned to their core mission.
- The MDOC will utilize the former Mound Correctional Facility which was closed in January 2012. The facility will be renamed the Detroit Detention Center (DDC).
- The facility will need some minor renovations that will be completed within four to six months. The facility meets or exceeds the operational needs required for this type of detention center and will operate in full compliance with all federal, state and local statutory obligations and standards required for a facility of this nature.
- The MDOC will provide staffing 24 hours a

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day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year and will employ 63 full-time employees – 52 being custody staff.

- The city of Detroit will contract with the MDOC for \$8.1 million per year for operation of the DDC.
- Establish one central lockup within the city of Detroit thereby decreasing transportation costs and increasing efficiency for processing arrestees and conducting court arraignments.
- The DDC central lockup plan will also allow for more productive interviews, interrogations and line-ups of arrestees thereby significantly enhancing criminal investigations in the city of Detroit.
- As there will be additional space at the DDC, there exists the future possibility to house DPD investigative units, Wayne County Prosecutor staff and court personnel at this location - resulting in even greater productivity at the DDC.

“The Department looks forward to this vital partnership with the city of Detroit and their law enforcement community,” said Corrections Director Dan Heyns. “This unique and innovative proposal will maximize tax dollars and government resources, producing a more efficient Michigan and a safer Detroit.”