

Department of Correction

The Westchester County Department of Correction serves the public with an efficiently operated, secure and humane correction system. It uses innovation and technology in many ways, such as offering a credit card bail system to inmates and a notification system for crime victims to check on the release of prisoners.

The department is made up of three divisions: administration, jail and penitentiary. It is headed by Commissioner Joseph K. Spano. Located in Valhalla, New York, the prison complex consists of:

- a jail for people (16 years or older) accused of a crime or awaiting sentencing, and
- a penitentiary for men sentenced to terms of under one year.

The jail and prison comply with all local, state and federal legal requirements as well as nationally accepted professional correctional standards.

Read about two new programs: one helping inmates to "unlearn violence," called Resolve to Stop the Violence Project and the other is a new electronic court appearance system.

Inmate Phone System Information

The inmate phone service has been modified with new, updated equipment and a better billing system for inmates and their families.

You may set up an account with GTL to receive collect calls from inmates by calling toll free at (866) 230-7761.

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Posting Bail

Bail can be posted 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Cash and credit cards are accepted at the jail only. A valid government photo ID with a current address is required - no PO boxes. When using a credit card, individuals posting bail must be 18 years and older.

The bail process may take time to complete. Please be patient.

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Visitation Schedule - All Inmates

All visits take place at the jail. Inmates are allowed up to two adults and two children at one time and may be allowed two, one-hour visits per week of which only one may be on a weekend. A parent or legal guardian must accompany children under the age of 18. Be prepared to produce a birth certificate for each minor.

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Victim Information and Notification

Crime victims can use touch-tone phones to call VINE toll-free to get information about convicted felony offenders in the custody of the NY State Department of Correctional Services or the Westchester County Department of Correction. Or, they can go to VINELink, the online version.

This information is free of charge and available around-the-clock.

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