

V. Platte Valley Youth Services Center

A. General Description

The Platte Valley Youth Services Center is a 135-bed Division of Youth Corrections multi-purpose facility. Platte Valley is located in the Division of Youth Corrections Northeast Region. The Region includes 5 Judicial Districts (8th, 13th, 17th, 19th and 20th) and 13 counties (Adams, Broomfield, Larimer, Boulder, Sedgwick, Weld, Jackson, Logan, Washington, Morgan, Phillips, Yuma and Kit Carson.) Platte Valley provides detention beds for four of five judicial districts and serves as the assessment receiving center for the Northeast Region. In addition the facility operates a long-term treatment program for committed youth.

Question 7 - Are you aware of relatives sharing the same last name that work at Platte Valley and Weld County Social Services or Weld County Department of Human Services?

The Division is aware that a staff member, a Correctional Youth Safety and Security Officer I is related to several employees of the Weld County Department of Human/Social Services.

B. Platte Valley Critical Incidents

Critical Incidents Reported by Platte Valley Youth Services Center

7/1/07-10/15/08	Total	Law Enforcement Referral	Weld Co. DHS/DSS Referral
Youth on Youth Assaults	8	5	
Youth on Staff Assaults	3	3	1
Illness or Injury	1	NA	NA
Sexual Acting out between youth	1		1
Child Abuse/Neglect	6		6
Property Damage	4	4	
Contraband	3	3	
Pre DYC Abuse Reported	1		1
Law Enforcement Contact non-youth related	1	1	
Total*	28	16	9

*Law Enforcement Referrals and Weld DHS Referrals will not add to 28.

The table above demonstrates that during the time period from July 1, 2007 through October 15, 2008, there were 28 Critical Incidents that were reported at the Platte Valley facility. Of these 28, twenty-five of the twenty-eight were reported either to law enforcement, in this case, the Greeley Police Department, or to the Weld County Department of Human Services. In three cases of youth on youth assault, no report was made to either entity, rather the conflict was mediated by DYC staff.