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Morton County Detention Center Inmates Transferred to New Jail

Mandan, N.D. – The Morton County Correction Center transferred all inmates to the newly opened combined Burleigh/Morton County Detention Center located in east Bismarck on Friday, June 9.

The new 213,000 square foot facility is able to house 525 inmates with capacity to expand to 1,000, if necessary. The detention center was designed to allow arresting officers to complete their paperwork in a timely manner while other staff move the booking process along, creating a more efficient system.

The approximately \$70 million project is being funded by a temporary half-percent sales tax approved by voters in 2014. Twelve Morton County Detention Center employees have transferred to the new detention facility while other staff has taken positions within the sheriff's department. The Morton County facility will only allow inmates to be held up to eight hours as they await transport or court appearances.

"I believe the joint space will serve our counties well," said Morton County Commission Chairman Cody Schulz. "We now have a facility that is very efficient and focuses on both corrections and rehabilitation, and public safety was a top priority within the building's design."

The new combined detention center is located at 4100 Apple Creek Road.

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