

## COVID-19 Survey Results: Kewanee Correctional Center

The John Howard Association (JHA) is an independent citizen correctional oversight organization that goes into prisons to monitor conditions of confinement and treatment of people who are incarcerated; we fight for a fair and humane system and for government transparency and accountability. For 119 years we have been the eyes and ears of the public inside Illinois' prisons, reporting what we see, hear and learn inside facilities and using this information to recommend policy and practice changes and advocate for system reform.

It is critical that we know and understand how people in prison are experiencing the COVID-19 health crisis and what the government must do to meet the health needs of people in prison. To further this end, JHA launched a special system-wide COVID-19 survey to enable us to hear directly from those who are in prisons about prison conditions during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The survey results reported herein indicate how 82 people imprisoned at Kewanee Correctional Center responded to survey items contained within the COVID-19 survey during the time frame of April 24<sup>th</sup> to May 20<sup>th</sup> 2020. As of April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020, there were 248 people imprisoned at Kewanee. Thus, this sample of survey respondents consists of 33.06% of Kewanee's prison population. COVID-19 surveys that were completed after May 20<sup>th</sup> will be accounted for in JHA's work and analyses conducted in the future, but are not reported below.

JHA provided prison administrators with enough survey packets (COVID-19 survey, informed consent notice/instruction sheet, and business reply envelope addressed to JHA) so that every person imprisoned at Kewanee had an opportunity to participate in the COVID-19 survey if they chose to do so. Because some people who submitted a survey did not answer all questions within the survey, the count of people who responded to each question is less than the overall sample of 82.

The results of the surveys JHA collected from people imprisoned at Kewanee Correctional Center are tabulated on the pages that follow.

## Tables of Results by Individual Survey Items:

<b>Q1: How did you get information from IDOC about COVID 19 prevention?</b>		
Paper bulletin on unit	57	69.51%
Inmate info channel on TV	43	52.44%
Verbal communication by staff	26	31.71%
Other	17	20.73%
I did not get this information	2	2.44%
Total does not add to 100% for this question because more than one answer could be selected		

<b>Q2: Did you have enough soap to regularly wash your hands in the last week?</b>		
No	9	10.98%
Yes	72	87.80%
Unsure	1	1.22%
Total	82	100%
No response: 0 (0.00%)		

<b>Q3: How often did you get cleaning chemicals from IDOC to clean your cell/sleeping area in the last week (examples: soap, bleach, Citral Green or peroxide)?</b>		
Once a day	3	3.80%
2 to 3 times last week	21	26.58%
Once last week	54	68.35%
None	1	1.27%
Total	79	100%
No response: 3 (3.66%)		

<b>Q4: Did you get enough cleaning chemicals to thoroughly clean your cell/sleeping area in the last week?</b>		
No, I did not get enough to make cell clean	36	44.44%
Yes	37	45.68%
Unsure	5	6.17%
No, I did not get any cleaning chemicals	3	3.70%
Total	81	100%
No response: 1 (1.22%)		

<b>Q5: Did the common areas you have access to get cleaned at least two times a day in the last week (examples: dayrooms, showers)?</b>		
No	5	6.41%
Some areas cleaned, but not all	11	14.10%
Yes, all areas were cleaned	56	71.79%
Unsure	6	7.69%
Total	78	100%
No response: 4 (4.88%)		

<b>Q6: Have you tried to get medical care because of COVID-19 in the last week?</b>		
No, because I did not want to	3	3.75%
No, because I was not sick	71	88.75%
Yes, but no response from staff	2	2.50%
Yes, and staff responded	4	5.00%
Total	80	100%
No response: 2 (2.44%)		

<b>Q7: Would you tell IDOC staff (medical or security) if you were sick because of COVID-19?</b>		
No	5	6.10%
Yes	72	87.80%
Unsure	5	6.10%
Total	82	100%
No response: 0 (0.00%)		

<b>Q8: Did you go to yard at least once in the last week?</b>		
No, not allowed to	65	79.27%
No, did not want to	0	0.00%
Yes	17	20.73%
Total	82	100%
No response: 0 (0.00%)		

<b>Q9a: Did the inmates around you follow good health practices in the last week by washing their hands often?</b>		
No	5	6.10%
Yes	41	50.00%
Unsure	36	43.90%
Total	82	100%
No response: 0 (0.00%)		

<b>Q9b: Did the inmates around you follow good health practices in the last week by covering their mouth with inside of arm when coughing/sneezing?</b>		
No	12	14.63%
Yes	44	53.66%
Unsure	26	31.71%
Total	82	100%
No response: 0 (0.00%)		

<b>Q9c: Did the inmates around you follow good health practices in the last week by cleaning shared items after use (example: phones)?</b>		
No	5	6.25%
Yes	64	80.00%
Unsure	11	13.75%
Total	80	100%
No response: 2 (2.44%)		

<b>Q9d: Did the inmates around you follow good health practices in the last week by staying at least 6 feet away from others when possible?</b>		
No	24	29.63%
Yes	51	62.96%
Unsure	6	7.41%
Total	81	100%
No response: 1 (1.22%)		

<b>Q10a: Did you follow good health practices in the last week by washing your hands often?</b>		
No	0	0.00%
Yes	81	100%
Unsure	0	0.00%
Total	81	100%
No response: 1 (1.22%)		

<b>Q10b: Did you follow good health practices in the last week by covering your mouth with inside of arm when coughing/sneezing?</b>		
No	0	0.00%
Yes	81	100%
Unsure	0	0.00%
Total	81	100%
No response: 1 (1.22%)		

<b>Q10c: Did you follow good health practices in the last week by cleaning shared items after use (example: phones)?</b>		
No	0	0.00%
Yes	81	100%
Unsure	0	0.00%
Total	81	100%
No response: 1 (1.22%)		

<b>Q10d: Did you follow good health practices in the last week by staying at least 6 feet away from others when possible?</b>		
No	9	11.25%
Yes	66	82.50%
Unsure	5	6.25%
Total	80	100%
No response: 2 (2.44%)		

<b>Q11: Could you take a shower at least 3 times last week?</b>		
No	6	7.41%
Yes	75	92.59%
Total	81	100%
No response: 1 (1.22%)		

<b>Q12: Did you get laundry service in the last week (whites and blues)?</b>		
No, was not offered	2	2.47%
No, do not want to use laundry service	5	6.17%
Yes, and my laundry was cleaned	64	79.01%
Yes, but they did not use detergent	10	12.35%
Total	81	100%
No response: 1 (1.22%)		

<b>Q13: Did you get at least one free phone call in the last week?</b>		
No	45	56.96%
Yes	20	25.32%
Yes, but the call cut out early	1	1.27%
This does not apply to me	13	16.46%
Total	79	100%
No response: 3 (3.66%)		

<b>Q16: Did commissary run on schedule this week?</b>		
Yes, full shop	15	18.99%
Yes, limited shop	36	45.57%
Yes, but not my unit's shop week	12	15.19%
No	16	20.25%
Total	79	100%
No response: 3 (3.66%)		

<b>Q14: Did you get a free video visit in the last week?</b>		
No	38	48.72%
Yes, and it worked	8	10.26%
Yes, but bad service/ cut short	10	12.82%
This does not apply to me	22	28.21%
Total	78	100%
No response: 4 (4.88%)		

<b>Q15: Could you send and get mail in the last week?</b>		
No	1	1.25%
Yes	79	98.75%
This does not apply to me	0	0.00%
Total	80	100%
No response: 2 (2.44%)		