

Information about the Prison Rape Elimination Act "PREA"

The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) was signed into law by President George W. Bush in September of 2003. PREA aims to reduce and prevent sexual assaults in correctional facilities through the establishment of a "zero-tolerance" policy and the development of national standards in incarceration. The National Prison Rape Elimination Commission developed these standards, which were reviewed by the Department of Justice and passed as the final rule in August 2, 2012.

The Yuba County Sheriff's Department (YCSO) is committed to upholding the law, and providing the safest environment possible for inmates housed at its facilities. YCSO maintains a Zero Tolerance Policy toward sexual abuse and sexual harassment of any kind. Inmates who are victims of sexual harassment or sexual assault are encouraged to immediately report the behavior to any staff member or through confidential mail to our local victim advocate Jason Roper (Yuba County Probation Victim Witness Assistance Officer) at 209 6th st, Marysville, CA. 95901. Friends or family members who become aware of sexual abuse within our facilities may also report on an inmate's behalf. Per department policy, YCSO shall ensure that an administrative or criminal investigation (whichever is appropriate) is completed for all allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment.

If you were assaulted as an inmate or detainee at one of our facilities, or someone you know who is currently in custody has been assaulted, you may report the assault by calling Sheriff's Dispatch at 530-749-7302, or the Jail Supervisor at the facility where they were assaulted. Yuba County Main Jail 530-749-7740