

# Sanitation & Standards at Women's Facilities in Georgia

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I have served time at two different locations during my current G.D.O.C. sentencing.

Those locations are Jee friendale State Prison (where I was housed for three years), and currently housed at Emanuel Women's Facility (where I have been for all but a year now).

The conditions at Jee friendale are deplorable. There is mold, inadequate water, raw sewage leaks and exposure, improper brohagadens waste disposal, ventilation, and lead paint as well as areas still covered in asbestos.

The conditions at Emanuel are better, but there are still issues with ventilation, mold, water and food contamination. I should clarify that improper food storage is an issue at both facilities.

I was housed in four different units at Jee friendale. Each unit had issues in common, namely inadequate plumbing, mold and contaminated water. I was taking

Plagues in the "school hall", which is located by C-unit and the restroom grates leaked raw sewage, which was fescues over the entirety of the floor. This also happened on the C-range in the D-Unit, referred to as SMU, when I was a resident there. I lived on every range in SMU and toxic water, no hot water, leaky toilets, sinks and flooding, were ~~regular~~ regular occurrences. I had a plumbing leak on the floor of one range of SMU, that was so consistent and so bad that the concrete floor itself actually became compromised and started cracking.

At one point during my cohabitation of SMU, the water was shut off completely, for two days. I was in the lockdown area of SMU at the time. In that two day span we received ONLY ONE 16.9 fluid ounce bottle of water for ALL our needs. Not 1 gallon/day per person, which is the known minimum mandatory in emergency and survival scenarios. With that being noted, we were provided with 7.6% of the daily

minimum ~~recommendation~~ recommendation and over the course of the two days, our weeds were reduced to 3.77%.

This is not a feasible rate of provision in even the most extreme of survival situations. I am going to equate this percentage with sustaining off mid morn dew from leaves, and yet I was not in a deserted-in-the-forest-scenario. This real life survival situation was provided for the Georgia Department of Corrections. Thank

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the graces that be that we are a resilient people. <sup>\* The only water received in the lower eight ranges of SMU came in the form of ice of which 2 colors/2 oranges were allotted.</sup>

→ The mold in both ~~the~~ institutions is primarily in the bathrooms, showers and mop closets, as one would expect. I have also experienced issues with mold around windows in the two-woman cells in B-unit, lockdown ceilings in SMU. There was also a lockdown cell I was once tossed into with feces on the ceiling, along with the gratuitous Black Mold.

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Our food, as I have previously written about in a separate essay, is ~~not~~ improperly stored and handled. All of the aspects involved with

distribution and access is overseen by state employees. The food is undercooked and also cooked alongside cockroaches. It is handled with bare hands, it is stored at improper temperatures. The commissary food is regularly out of date, stale, and moldy. The food we receive per DOC does not meet the R.D.A. standards for appropriated food groups. The food we are served at Emanuel NEVER follows the food guidelines and menu provided us per the GDOC.

Food storage is handled at improper temperatures. There are myriad infestations of insects and rodents. This is food we are served regardless of contamination. It is cooked and served at improper temperatures, although ironically, a Serv Safe certification class is regularly provided.

Clothing is regularly washed together with body fluids mixed among inmates. It is not properly dried and often returned damp if not wet. This promotes the breeding of bacteria.

The chemicals we are provided with to clean are as well an issue with maintenance of hygienic standards. They are diluted to the point of no odor

emission nor color present.  
We are never supplied with bleach, even during Covid epidemic. I know that HIV positive inmates are provided "bleach profiles" which is a medical stipulation. These inmates had to pay for bleach (along with the rest of us) smuggled by the handful of inmates with access. The inmates with access held details such as laundry, chemical and warehouse. It is even more difficult to purchase at Emmanuel due to the population and detail reductions.

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