History of the Central Virginia Regional Jail

The Central Virginia Regional Jail is situated in the Town of Orange, Virginia. This facility serves the Counties of Fluvanna, Greene, Louisa, Madison and Orange, respectively. The jail became operational on September 1, 1990 and had a design capacity of 96 and an original staff of 50. The cost of construction and equipment was approximately $5.0 (five) million.

Although the initial design incorporated a "popular remote" type of supervision over the inmates, the jail added a 50 bed dormitory, and 2 (two) classrooms in 1995 at a cost of approximately $1 (one) million, but at no local cost. In 1999 the jail added 101 more beds, an infirmary, an inside recreation hall, more visitation space, a new laundry, a larger vehicular sally port, along with other ancillary spaces at a cost of approximately $5.5 (five point five) million, but at no local cost. The jail currently has a staff of 87 and houses approximately 400 local, state and federal prisoners.

Sterling C. Proffitt was hired as the jail's first superintendent effective 2-1-90 and remained in that position until his retirement on June 1, 2001. Edward L. Crosley, Jr. became the second superintendent on June 1, 2001 and remained in that position until his retirement on October 1, 2003. Floyd G. Aylor became the jail's third superintendent on October 1, 2003 and retired on May 31, 2015. Frank E. Dyer III would be become the jail's 4th Superintendent. Superintendents Crosley, Aylor, and Dyer were all promoted from within the organization of the Central Virginia Regional Jail.

Although the original Jail Board was comprised of 2 (two) members from each of the participating localities, a total of 10, just prior to the jail opening the Board reduced itself to 5 (five). During June of 1991, a sheriff was added to comply with a Code change, so the Jail Board numbered a total of 6 (six). However, effective 7-1-98, and per another Code revision mandating that each sheriff of a participating locality of a regional jail shall be on the board or authority, the board member increased to 10 (ten). However, the five
participating Counties also agree to name one "At-Large" member which would be rotated on a year-to-year basis amongst them, thereby increasing the membership to 11 (eleven).

The jail received a 100% rating on its initial DOC Audit within its first 12 months of operation in June, 1991 and also the subsequent "three year audit during" June, 1994 and also received 100% rating with the newly introduced "unannounced" inspection in June 1996. The jail has maintained a rating of 100% on all subsequent "three year audits" and "unannounced inspections" since June 1996. In addition, during 1995 the jail was certified by the national institute of Corrections for its Objective Jail Classification Program as pertains to the criterion utilized on how inmates are placed in various custody levels.

The Central Virginia Regional Jail is proud to be included in the Virginia Association of Regional Jails, an organization comprised of 22 regional jail and hundreds of staff and we look forward to meeting the many challenges of the future with our colleagues in our combined efforts to provide the best possible public safety services to our citizens.