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Winnebago County Jail Earns Perfect Score on Annual Inspection

Winnebago County, IL The Winnebago County Jail has achieved a perfect 100% compliance rating on its annual Illinois Department of Corrections inspection, a recognition of the facility's exceptional safety, professionalism, and operational standards.

Sheriff Gary Caruana credited the accomplishment to the dedication of the jail's staff, saying, "This success reflects the daily commitment, discipline, and professionalism of the men and women working in our jail. Their hard work makes this achievement possible, and I could not be prouder of their service to our community."

Under Sheriff Gary Caruana's leadership, the jail continues to improve services and outcomes for those in its care expanding mental health resources, implementing a new jail records management system, replacing all cameras and intercoms, and adding advanced security scanning technology.

As part of the community, the Winnebago County Jail remains focused on transparency, accountability, and ongoing improvement. This recognition affirms the trust placed in the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office and highlights the important, often unseen, work done behind the walls every single day.

"We are incredibly proud to share this news with our community," said Sheriff Gary Caruana, "Earning a perfect score is a significant milestone and a testament to the pride we take in our facility and the service we provide to Winnebago County."

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