



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

ICE AURORA CONTRACT DETENTION FACILITY ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT

The Trump Administration informed Congressman Crow's office in February 2025 that it would no longer respond to regular oversight electronic information requests. These requests have been used by Congressman Crow's office under the first Trump Administration and the Biden Administration to complete and corroborate the information provided in these reports, including during the COVID-19 pandemic.

However, as of September 2025, ICE staff will no longer verbally provide information requested by congressional staff during oversight visits for the completion of these regular accountability reports. Congressional staff were instead directed to submit requests for information for the completion of these reports to the ICE Office of Congressional Relations (OCR).

Congressman Crow's staff submitted an electronic information request on May 5, 2026. OCR has not sent over the information requested at this time.

Despite shifting ICE OCR policies, it is a priority for Congressman Crow to provide proper congressional oversight of the Aurora Contract Detention Facility. Congressman Crow and his Congressional office will continue making good-faith efforts to visit the facility and obtain electronic records updates from ICE.

Date: 5 May 2026
DAY MONTH YEAR

Requested by: Melissa Lewis Staff Assistant
NAME POSITION

Transmitted by: Melissa Lewis Staff Assistant
NAME POSITION

Were electronic files sent?

Yes ☐ No ☒



FORMAL COUNTS: 2.8 V. A.

How many people were most recently formally counted in this facility?

Approximately 1000, ICE would not confirm the exact number during the tour but informed us that the population was low

How many people formally counted in this facility identify as the following gender?

Female: Requested information, not available

Male: Requested information, not available

Transgender individuals housed in transgender pod: Requested information, not available

How many people were brought into the facility this week? Requested information, not available

How many people have left the facility this week? Requested information, not available

How many people and where did those who left the facility go? Requested information, not available

Released into community: Requested information, not available

Formally removed from the United States: Requested information, not available

Moved to another facility: Requested information, not available

Other _____: Not available

How many people are currently being housed in the Annex? Requested information, not available

How many people were in the restricted housing unit? Requested information, not available

How many people used the law library? Requested information, not available

NATIONALITIES

Information was requested during the visit, but Congressional staff were directed to reach out to OCR for the information.



MEDICAL INFORMATION

How many people are currently being cohorted/quarantined due to sickness?

Number of people currently cohorted/quarantined due to sickness:

Requested information, not available

How many individuals are under COVID-19 monitoring?:

0

What is the medical condition for quarantine:

Congressional staff were told by GEO staff there are no communicable diseases

CONFIRMED COVID-19 CASES:

Individuals Housed in GEO Facility:

ICE Detainees:

Requested information, not available

ICE Employees:

Requested information, not available

GEO Employees:

Requested information, not available

MEDICAL STAFFING:

GEO medical staff said they are fully staffed in the medical section. However, the Congressman's staff were told they would need to reach out to the ICE Office of Congressional Relations to confirm exact staffing data.

- 1 Health Service Administrator
- 1 Medical Doctor
- 1 Assistant Health Service Administrator
- 2 Physicians Assistants (PA's)
- 2 Dentists
- 1 Dental Assistant
- 4 Medical Records Clerks
- 18 RNs/LPNs
- 1 Psychologist
- 3 LCSW/MHP
- 1 X-Ray Tech.
- 1 Tele-Psychiatrist

Staffing information is current as of 12/9/2025

(*) denotes a change in staffing level.

*All reports concerning infectious disease are confirmed with the Tri-County Health Department and/or the Aurora Fire Department



MEDICAL NOTES:

- GEO medical staff provided limited responses, and instead ICE staff answered most questions.
- GEO medical staff said there are no communicable diseases in the facility.
- Staff notes that there were 4 detainees being monitored in medical for mental health concerns

Aurora Fire Rescue confirmed that there were eight calls for service responded to at the Aurora Contract Detention Facility (3130 Oakland Street and 11901 E 30th Ave.) between 5/5/26 and 5/21/26. They were as follows:

- 5/6/26 - Medical- illness- unknown problem
- 5/15/26 - Psych/suicide attempt
- 5/16/26 - Heart problems
- 5/16/26 OB abdominal pain/cramping
- 5/16/26 - Stab/GSW/penetrating central wounds stab
- 5/17/26 - Unconscious/fainting
- 5/17/26 - Assault
- 5/17/26 - Hemorrhage/lacerations

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES:

- The contents of this report were derived from an in-person Congressional oversight visit conducted by the staff members of Congressman Crow and Congresswoman Pettersen, along with Congresswoman Pettersen. The visit was conducted at 9 am on May 5th. Staff members provided over 24 hours' notice when sending a request to visit.
- The facility was "on count" during the visit so the detainees were not allowed to be in the common areas.

Restricted Housing and Law Library

- During the visit, staff members observed that a housing unit that had previously been used for Restricted Housing was repurposed for general population. The pod was empty at this time and was being used for storage. ICE informed us that there was currently no need to use the pod as population numbers were low.
- There were two detainees that staff counted being housed in the Restricted Housing area
- The law library was not in use during the tour but ICE and GEO staff informed the Congresswoman and staff that detainees continue to have access to it and put in requests to utilize the library.

Kitchen and Intake

- When staff entered the kitchen, GEO staff informed us that they will be receiving updated menu guidance for the year from GEO corporate on May 15th. These adjustments are funneled through GEO's nutritionists.



SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES:

Housing Pods

- Staff entered housing pods A and C in the main facility, viewing the male population pods.
- When staff and the Congresswoman entered the "C" housing pod, we spoke with one detainee about his experience.
- Each communication board had "voluntary departure" information in 10 languages. The amount to be provided for departure to detainees who meet the requirements was \$2,600.

Miscellaneous information

- Based on an MOU dated 4/21/2026 viewed by the Congressman Crow staff, "Aurora ICE Processing Center detainees will be provided with copies of regular mail. Detainees will receive a formal notice regarding the mail received and will have the option to return the correspondence to sender at their own expense if they choose. Indigent detainees will be afforded the opportunity, once every ten business days, to return mail correspondence to the sender at the facility's request."
 - Staff confirmed with GEO staff the policy in place for safety reasons.
- In the law library, staff noticed that privacy waivers were available in 9 different languages but legal information on how to file a habeas petition was only available in English.
- GEO informed staff that the soccer field will be back in use by the end of May.
- During this visit, ICE and GEO staff were unable to provide fulsome answers to some of the questions contained within this report. Congressman Crow's staff submitted a written request for information on May 5, 2026.