



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 August 14, 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: 14 August 2026
DAY MONTH YEAR

Requested by: Melissa Lewis Constituent Advocate
NAME POSITION

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Were electronic files sent?

Yes ☐ No ☒



FORMAL COUNTS: 2.8 V. A.

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

ICE would not confirm the exact number during the tour and referred staff to request information through the ICE Office of Congressional Relations

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: 2 visually counted

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? 13 visually counted

How many people used the law library?

Requested information. Library was in use during the visit and staff visually counted 12 detainees using the library.

NATIONALITIES

Information was requested during the visit, but Congressional staff were directed to reach out to ICE 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 but staff would not confirm, staff visually counted eight detainees in the medical section for monitoring

How many individuals are under COVID-19 monitoring?:

0

What is the medical condition for quarantine:

Not provided

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 and ICE staff said there are no positive TB cases in the facility at this time.
- When asked if there were any other communicable diseases, GEO health staff said no. GEO medical staff said they adhere to CDC guidelines regarding communicable diseases.
- Congressional staff noted that there were eight detainees in the medical section being monitored but ICE and GEO would not elaborate on why the detainees were being monitored.
- When asked, ICE said it is their position that they can deny local officials access to the federal facility.
- ICE officials referenced the ongoing lawsuit led by the GEO Group against the State of Colorado when asked about the legal basis for denying entry to local and state health officials seeking access to the facility for contact tracing purposes following the confirmed case of active TB in June 2026.
- Ambulance call history has been requested and will be updated when received.

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES:

- The contents of this report were derived from an in-person Congressional oversight visit conducted by the staff members of Congressman Crow, Senator Bennet, and Senator Hickenlooper. The visit was conducted at 1 pm on August 13th. Staff members provided 48 hours' notice when sending a request to visit.

Restricted Housing and Law Library

- During the visit, staff members observed that the Restricted Housing unit that had been repurposed looked full and was holding low risk males.
- There were 13 detainees that staff counted being housed in the Restricted Housing area. Most of the detainees in the Restrict Housing area had high risk red shirts on.
- The law library was in use during the visit and staff visually counted 12 detainees utilizing the library during the visit.

Kitchen and Intake

- Staff entered the kitchen and viewed the refrigerator and storage closet. A GEO staff member showed staff example meals from the past 72 hours, including diet meals.
- The GEO Kitchen Manager informed staff that they have taken precaution to prevent any Cyclospora outbreaks and have stopped any contracts with Taylor Farms. They also informed us that they have taken the proper precautions to dispose of any food that may contain produce sourced from Taylor Farms.
- There were no detainees in intake during the visit.



SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES:

Housing Pods

- Staff entered multiple housing pods during the visit, including A and D in the main facility.
 - GEO and ICE staff had stated that the A/C that had been actively worked on during the last visit had been fixed.
 - While staff toured the A pod, they saw that the wall thermometer showed 70 degrees Fahrenheit.
- While touring different pods, staff witnessed detainees using the phones. Staff also checked each phone in pods visited to make sure they were operating.
- All male pods in the main area of the facility were in use.

Annex

- Staff toured the Annex area and visually confirmed that there were two transgender detainees in the designated transgender housing pod.
- Transgender detainees continued to be in pod G on the male side of the annex.
- All female and male dorms were in use during the visit.

Miscellaneous information

- Phones were working in north and south lobbies as well as each of the pods when checked.
- Staff did not see a guard stationed outside of the main entrance to the facility and the gates were partially open.
- The outside field was in use during the tour for soccer and basketball.
- Staff members asked ICE and GEO staff of reports they had heard about a strange smelling gas. ICE and GEO staff stated that the fire department had visited the facility that week to investigate. Their maintenance team also examined the building for any gas leaks.
- 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 August 14, 2026.