



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 September 11, 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: 11 September 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:

2 visually counted, but when asked, ICE officials stated there were no transgender detainees at the facility

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?

11 visually counted

How many people used the law library?

Requested information, not available and was not in use during the visit.

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 seven 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 health staff said there are no communicable diseases at the facility and referred Congressional staff to reach out to the ICE Office of Congressional Relations for more information.
- Congressional staff noted that there were seven detainees in the medical section being monitored but ICE and GEO would not elaborate on why the detainees were being monitored.

Ambulance call data has been requested and will be updated once 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 Hickenlooper, and Senator Bennet. The visit was conducted at 11am on September 11th. 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 for general housing looked full and was holding low risk males.
- There were 11 detainees that staff counted being housed in the Restricted Housing area.
- There were two detainees in the Restricted Housing Area using the outside recreation area during the visit.
- The law library was not in use during the visit but ICE and GEO staffed informed Congressional staff that detainees continued to have access to the law library.

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.
- There were ten detainees in intake during the visit, five of which ICE and GEO staffed confirmed were being released into the community.



SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES:

Housing Pods

- Staff entered housing pod A in the main facility which housed high risk males.
 - While staff toured the A pod, they saw that the wall thermometer showed 64 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 pods in the main area of the facility were in use. All pods in the main facility house males.

Annex

- When asked if transgender detainees continued to be given the opportunity in intake to select a pod that aligned with their gender, ICE staff said that there were no transgender detainees in the facility, citing Executive Order 14168. ICE and GEO staff confirmed that the alternative would be to select to be housed in the restricted housing unit. This was the first time that ICE confirmed that the policy change was in place and that transgender detainees were no longer given the opportunity to be housed in a pod that aligns with their gender.
- Although ICE confirmed that detainees that self-identify as transgender no longer have a designated housing pod, when staff toured the Annex they visually confirmed that there were two transgender detainees in the G pod. This pod had traditionally been used to house transgender detainees. The housing pod now only houses two detainees who self-identify as transgender and had been detained in the facility prior to policy changes. ICE cited security and safety as the reason that the two detainees were housed in the G pod.
- 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. They were also all in use in the housing areas that staff toured.
- The front entrance continues to be partially closed by gates.
- The outside soccer field and basketball court were both in use during the visit.
- 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 September 11, 2026.