



Laurel County Correctional Center Integrated Ecosystem

Background

Operating from the same correctional facility for 28 years, Laurel County was overdue for much needed upgrades. To address the problems that arose from both an old security system and an old facility, Laurel County planned a solution. They proposed to build a brand new 110 square-foot facility that would hold 664-beds. The new facility would house inmates from the county, state, and federal government.

Correctional security goes beyond ensuring safety for staff and inmates. Data is recorded to help jail administrators make important decisions, such as training new officers and monitoring the health and wellness of the population. When a larger facility is built, larger processes follow. Laurel County needed to make sure they had a streamlined security system specific to their new facility.

Challenge

Inconsistent security systems, inadequacies in monitoring jail traffic, and the increasing need for multitasking and manual intervention by jail staff posed major threats to jail operations as construction began on a larger Laurel County Correctional Center.

Opportunity

Jailer, Jaime Mosley, is the man chiefly responsible for administering the security of the correctional center. After spending 12 years with the Kentucky state police, he was elected jailer in 2010. Since then, Laurel County Corrections has become recognized as one of the most elite correctional agencies in Kentucky.

Mr. Mosley emphasized the need for CCTV systems in the new facility, along with the need for automation and ease of use. Securitas Technology was chosen through an RFP process due to its ability to meet the specific systems envisioned for the new security suite. Representatives from Securitas Technology worked closely with Mr. Mosley to plan and finalize the security solutions that would work best for the facility, integrating eight systems into one seamless, easy-to-use ecosystem.



Solution

Laurel County partnered with Securitas Technology to implement multiple security solutions into one integrated ecosystem.

Our team started with a complete list of what needed to be done for the project:

- Video monitoring stations
- Intercom systems
- Door control and monitoring systems
- Duress stations
- Installation of touchscreen control stations
- Utility control systems
- Access control systems
- IP cameras
- Data logging of all events

At the launch of the new facility, experts installed hundreds of security components, all integrated into a modern interface that is quick and easy to understand by jail administration. The user-friendly interface ensures that all facility staff can respond to security incidents decisively.

Automated access control solutions at 230 doors throughout the facility — including doors to dormitories — significantly reduced the need for operators. Instead of having multiple control stations operated by multiple people, a single officer can now manage inmate and officer movements through one control station. This includes operating intercoms, viewing video feeds, and controlling utilities. Integrated data logging creates an access audit, assigning each officer a unique identifier to ensure accountability.



The [Securitas Technology] team took accountability and pride in the project from the start and provided us with everything we needed to ensure a safe and healthy environment for inmates and officers.”

Jamie Mosley | Jailer, Laurel County Correctional Center

Result

The new Laurel County Correctional Center went into operation a few months before the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic. Throughout the surge, jail administration faced new challenges such as social distancing of inmates, quarantining those with symptoms, and maintaining facility population safety.

The administration relied on the enhanced functions of the security system to maintain a safe and healthy environment for inmates and staff. The security features provided guidance during the pandemic and will continue to do so in the future. Video surveillance integrated with data recording has allowed Mr. Mosley's team to review past incidents for training purposes. The integrated systems support and reassure the administration regarding adjustments in interaction between guards and inmates.

Key outcomes included:

- Significant demand reduction for jail operators
- Increased ability to monitor the correctional space
- Streamlined jail operations
- Assurance of safe and healthy environments during the COVID-19 pandemic

Applying expertise and knowledge in corrections security, the Securitas Technology team developed, implemented, and integrated each security system component within Laurel County's new correctional facility. The company worked hand-in-hand with jail administrators through every milestone, from initial planning to the final comprehensive product.

"Oftentimes, when working with multiple providers, tensions arise as problems occur, creating a lack of responsibility and interrupted operations. With [Securitas Technology], we experienced the opposite. [Securitas Technology] took full responsibility for making sure all systems were integrated and worked with each other properly. I would recommend this experience and partner to anyone."

Jamie Mosley | Jailer, Laurel County Correctional Center

We were honored to partner with Laurel County to develop and install a modern comprehensive security platform for its new correctional facility. As technology advances and security threats evolve, Mr. Mosley and Laurel County know they can turn to us as a trusted partner to further safeguard their community. We are committed to helping correctional facilities around the country increase efficiency, enhance security, and stay safe and healthy.



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