

AIA Academy of Architecture for Justice

SUSTAINABLE JUSTICE GUIDELINES

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The Sustainable Justice Committee of the Academy of Architecture for Justice has been advancing a vision of a socially sustainable justice system. In 2010, we published the "Green Guide to Justice," which lays the groundwork for these guidelines. In 2014 we began releasing a series of video case studies demonstrating that the sustainability strategies listed in these guidelines can be and have been achieved in justice buildings around the country. We hope that this compilation of sustainability goals, metrics, targets, and the research and examples that support them, will help to inform all stakeholders in the field of justice architecture of the possibility and potential of building projects to advance shared goals for the justice system and our broader society.

Introduction

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- The criminal justice system has a complex and multifaceted impact on our
- 3 larger society of which it is a part. It provides public safety and responds to
- 4 criminal behavior through a variety of means including deterrence,
- 12 incapacitation, retribution, rehabilitation, and even restitution and
- 20 restoration. The way these operations are conducted has many and varied
- 29 impacts on societal order, community life, and individual human experience.
- In order to address the impacts that come from planning and designing a new justice facility (primarily a courthouse, a police station, a jail, a prison, a border facility, or some combination of those) the AAJ Sustainability Committee has categorized impacts of concern into the societal, community, facility, and human scales, which follow below.

Sustainability in general includes economic, environmental, and social equity dimensions. With regard to the planning and design of justice facilities, the most significant measures of sustainability lie with individuals and their relationships within a community and larger society (see the AAJ "Green Guide to Justice" for more description). Maintaining and enhancing the human dignity of every person who works for or comes in contact with the justice system is essential to developing the human potential of individuals, the health of our communities, and sustaining civil society. The buildings that house the justice system are a key component of the system, through providing the space for the system's activities, through conditioning the majority of natural resources used by the agencies that comprise the justice system, and through their representation of the values that underlie the administration of justice in our society today.



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How To Use These Guidelines

These Guidelines are intended for use in federal, state or local (county or city) justice systems throughout the United States that are planning to build or renovate new facilities for their justice system. They may be most useful in the early planning stages, when the location, size, and specific uses of the proposed building are still being considered. Items from the Societal and Community scales are most relevant to these issues. As planning progresses to more detailed considerations of building layout, site design, and even in some cases construction materials, the Facility and Human scales are intended to provide guidance towards a design approach that incorporates current best practices in accordance with the principles mentioned above (and described in detail in the "Green Guide to Justice").

Links to the examples and resouces that illustrate these Guidelines are embedded within the text and link details are included at the end of the document. Companion video case studies for selected projects (including those illustrated on this page) are also available online (see link at right). Most projects that are listed in these Guidelines as exemplary of specific goals or metrics can be found in the AIA Justice Facilities Review publications over the years. These and other JFR projects can be viewed at: www.aia.org/JFR.

These guidelines provide a list of Goals, Metrics to measure progress towards the Goal, and recommended Targets. Especially at the Societal and Community Scales, not all Goals, Metrics and Targets are within the scope of the design team - some reflect a general measurement of how successfully the local justice system is meeting broad social and community needs. Planning new physical facilities for the justice system is a crucially important time to reflect on the current operations, as facility location, size, and design set in place structural features that will last for decades (if not longer). It is a moment of great opportunity to strive for best practices if they are not already in place, and these Guidelines are intended to assist that effort.

At present, the AIA Academy of Architecture for Justice does not provide Guideline reviews or certification. The Guidelines should be used in a self-certification effort based in project reviews conducted with appropriate stakeholders such as the design and planning team, client justice system agencies, partner agencies, and local community groups, especially those with an interest in the justice system. These Guidelines' relevance may be limited in international contexts. The Guidelines are intended as a partner to the LEED (TM) rating system of the U.S. Green Building Council, which provides guidance towards sustainability in natural resource impacts for most building types, including justice buildings.

Some Guidelines call for comparisons with a pool of similar jurisdictions, such as target percentile scores. For state-level projects such as courthouses in states with unified court systems, state police, and state prisons, comparisons should be made to other states. For local-level projects, comparisons should be made to the other counties within the same state. The Guidelines do not currently specifically address Juvenile Justice or Adult Probation facilities but can be relevant in the planning and design of those facilities. To submit a project that is an example of Sustainable Justice Principles in practice, please notify the committee: www.aia.org/sustainablejustice.



Maricopa County South Court Tower
Gould EvansAECOM



Lindsey-Flanagan Courthouse Denver, CO Ricci Greene Associates (Architecture) Mikiko Kikuyama (Photography)



Mariposa Land Port of Entry Jones Studio (Architecture) Timmerman Photography



Las Colinas Detention and Reentry Facility Santee, CA KMD Architects & HMC Architects (Architecture) Lawrence Anderson Photography

SOCIETAL SCALE

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S1	Safety - proactive	Prevent violence so that people can enjoy security at home and in public	Violent crime rate based on Uniform Crime Report definitions	Decrease of three-year moving average	National Institute of Justice, CrimeSolutions.Gov includes 23 violence prevention and suppression programs that have proven effective and 63 violence prevention and suppression programs that are promising	
S2	Safety - reactive	Address offenders to prevent future criminal behavior	Recidivism rate (using best available records from jurisdiction)	Decrease of three-year moving average	For guidance on recidivism rates, see Urban Institute, "Improving Recidivism as a Performance Measure." For evidence-based programs to reduce recidivism, see CrimeSolutions.Gov	
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S 7	Information Sharing	All branches of justice system share data together effectively to reduce unneeded waiting, processing and detention times	Number of databases that are interoperable with others	All databases should be interoperable with each other	BJA Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative "standards-based electronic information exchange to provide the justice community with timely, accurate, complete, and accessible information in a secure and trusted environment"	
S8	Efficiency	Appropriate and judicious use of pre-trial custody	Non-sentenced (pre-trial) average daily population in detention	Decrease of three-year moving average	Pretrial Justice Institute recommendations and resource library for improving bail policies and practices	
S9	Accountability	Measure and report court Performance	Access and Fairness score from "CourTools" National Center for State Courts	Average score of at least 75 for Access and Fairness	National Center for State Courts "CourTools"	

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C2	Facility Siting	Locate in a dense, walkable area of central importance	LEED credit SSc2: Development Density and Community Connectivity	Density of surrounding area is over 60,000 sf/acre or site is within 1/2 mile of 10 basic services, etc.	Satellite courthouses that serve rural communities may not be located in traditional "downtown" neighborhoods	
C3	Transportation Access	Facilitate use of mass transit for public and staff accessibility	LEED credit Sustainable Sites 4.1: Alternative Transportation - Public Transportation Access	Site is within 1/2 mile of rail transit station or 1/4 mile of at least 2 bus stops (from different bus lines)	The Durham County Courthouse in Durham, NC, is located within 2 blocks of 2 bus lines [JFR 2014]	
C4	Co-location	Co-locate with/near: jail, DA, public defender, victim services, probation, parole, public health, mental health, food service/restaurants, convenience shopping	% of listed services within walking distance	100%	Denver Justice Center - Lindsey- Flanigan Courthouse [AIA Denver & AIA Colorado award 2010] Van Cise-Simonet Detention Center [JFR 2012]	

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	PRINCIPLE	GOAL	METRIC	TARGET (1)	RESOURCES / EXAMPLES / LINKS	EVALUATION NOTES
C5	Rightsizing	Project is based on a needs assessment done with significant community input	Needs assessment includes alternative court hearing processes such as drug court or other collaborative courts.	Alternatives to court hearings reduce initial need projections by at least 20% of building area	California Administrative Office of the Courts planning process	
C6	Shared Spaces	Provide meeting rooms, fitness center, or other functions available for general public use	% of building area available for public uses	2% of building area	The Kane County, IL, Branch Court is co-located with a conference center and the courtroom can be used for public meetings. [AIA Northeast IL award winner]	
C7	Technology - Access to Records	Maximize online access to case files and online juror processing	% of records accessed online, waiting time for potential jurors	95% of records, jurors average not more than 4 hours waiting in building, lighting and audio specialists consulted in video arraignment setup	Legal Services Corporation, "Principles and Best Practices for Access-Friendly Court Electronic Filing" Jacobs, James and Tamara Crepet, "The Expanding Scope, Use, and Availability of Criminal Records." New York University Journal of Legislation & Public Policy (2007)	
C8	Technology - Video Appearance	Video appearance should match the quality and access of in-person appearance	Interior design and remote locations provide for comfortable, dignified settings	Interior design enhances "threshold" between remote locations; operational measures provide orientation and access to all participants	AAJ-Infocomm AV/IT Guidelines for Courts University of Western Sydney, "Gateways to Justice: design and operational guidelines for remote participation in court proceedings"	

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FACILITY SCALE

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F1	Secure yet Welcoming Exterior	Welcoming site and building features; blast/impact and site security barriers ere effective but not imposing; building entry areas are open and accessible; wayfinding to the building entries is clear with welcoming cues; public can view into building entry and public areas	a. Height of blast/impact barriers b. Size & quality of area in front of public entry doors c. Wayfinding and visibility to public areas d. Visibility to interior public spaces	a. Blast/impact barriers are no taller than 48" above sidewalk level and are designed as aesthetic site features b. Area in front of main entry doors is clear and usable for public gathering; at least 25' deep, preferably 50' deep c. 100% of interior public gathering areas (lobby, jury assembly, cafeteria, records reception, etc.) are clearly visible from the entry point	Bakersfield, CA U.S. Courthouse; U.S. Courthouse, San Diego, CA; Durham County, NC Courthouse; Superior Court of California, San Benito County; Renfrew County, Ontario Courthouse; Wake County, NC Justice Center [all JFR 2014] Hanford Courthouse (Kings County, CA), has outdoor access to records counters [JFR 2013] Maass et al, "Intimidating Buildings: Can Courthouse Architecture Affect Perceived Likelihood of Conviction," AAJ summary	
F2	Secure yet Welcoming Interior	Security screening is appropriately planned but does not define the entry experience; members of the public are protected from intimidation by others	Amount of space given to cueing and screening; mumber of spaces for multiple groups (e.g. disputing parties and families) to gather separately	Cueing and screening take up no more than 50% of the entry lobby; at least 4 separate gathering spaces in lobby	Waterloo Region Courthouse, Ontario [JFR 2013] Lindsey Flanigan Courthouse, Denver, CO [AIA Denver & AIA Colorado award 2010]	
F3	Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)	Landscape design, access, and building features provide for Crime Prevention Through Environment Design	Listed recommendations for each of the 3 CPTED design principles of Natural surveillance, Natural access control, and Natural territorial reinforcement	Incorporate 75% of each principle's listed recommendations	Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design	

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	PRINCIPLE	GOAL	METRIC	TARGET (1)	RESOURCES / EXAMPLES / LINKS	EVALUATION NOTES
F4	Family Friendly	Building includes comfort facilities for the public, e.g. bathrooms, water, outdoor covered areas	a. Exterior covered areas b. % of indoor public areas that have access to bathrooms and drinking fountains	a. Outdoor cover for 100% of typical daily waiting line or at least 6 families b. 100% of indoor public spaces have bathrooms and drinking water	John M. Roll U.S. Courthouse, Yuma, AZ [JFR 2013]	
F5	Healthy staff	Provide space for employee health and wellness	Space program includes staff wellness support and programs, fitness and locker/shower areas; break rooms have refrigerators and food warming stations	Fitness room has 10 sf/person, break area 5 sf/person, one break room per 35 people; facility accommodates dining for half the staff at any given time unless food services are co-located	Urban Land Institute, "Building for Wellness: the Business Case"	
F6	Green Building Certification	Improve efficiency while minimizing use of natural resources, enhance human health and natural habitats	LEED-NC (New Construction and Major Renovation) Certification	LEED Silver or better	Wayne N. Aspinall Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, Grand Junction, CO historic renovation - LEED Platinum, Net Zero [AIA COTE Top Ten 2014, AIA Colorado & AIA Denver Award Winner]	
F7	Operational Purchasing & Waste Management	Prepare for operational waste minimization, recycling/ composting/ diversion, green purchasing and green janitorial services	LEED EBO&M (Operations & Maintenance) - have policies per the prerequisites for green purchasing, waste management and cleaning	•	LEED credit library online, EBO&M page	

HUMAN SCALE

A sustainable relationship between individuals and the criminal justice system is one where maintaining present operations into the future consumes acceptable levels of resources and creates results that can be assimilated back into society at large. Probably the most significant Sustainable Justice Principle is preserving the non-renewable resource of the human potential. At the facility scale sustainability requires a commitment to preserving the human dignity of all who enter, live or work within the system and communities within which systems components reside and are supported; sustainable principles include a continuum of services in support an individual's successful transition back into society as a productive and contributing citizen. The systems approach promotes a physical and functional environment that is conducive to rehabilitation and optimal health.

	PRINCIPLE	GOAL	METRIC	TARGET (1)	RESOURCES / EXAMPLES / LINKS	EVALUATION NOTES
H1	Acoustical	Sound levels do not create	a. Acoustics expertise on	a. An acoustics specialist is	National Institute of Building Sciences,	
	comfort	additional stress or obstruct	project team	included on the project	Whole Building Design Guide:	
		communications	b. GSA Facilities Standards	team	"Acoustic Comfort"	
			(P100) for Public Buildings	b. Meet GSA P100 standards		
			Service	for noise, absorption, and		
				isolation in table 3.6.3.4 (p.		
				96)		
H2	Thermal comfort	Temperature and humidity	a. ASHRAE Standard 55,	a. Indoor temperature and	National Institute of Building Sciences,	
		are conducive to comfort	Thermal Environmental	- I	Whole Building Design Guide: "Provide	
		and occupants have control	Comfort in Buildings	ASHRAE comfort zone for	Comfortable Environments"	
		over comfort conditions	b. LEED credit Indoor	98% design conditions		
			Environmental Quality 6,	b. at least 50% of occupants		
			Controllability of Systems -	and 100% of shared spaces		
			Thermal Comfort	have comfort controls		
Н3	Visual comfort	Lighting is conducive to	a. GSA 2003 Facilities	a. Meet GSA P100 standards	National Institute of Building Sciences,	
		efficient working	Standards (P100) for Public	for interior lighting quality	Whole Building Design Guide: "Provide	
		environments, particularly	Buildings Service	and quantity in Table 6.1	Comfortable Environments"	
		over the bench and jury box	b. LEED credit Indoor	b. at least 90% of occupants		
		within the courtroom	Environmental Quality 6,	and 100% of shared spaces		
			Controllability of Systems -	have lighting controls		
			Lighting			
H4	Sense of Safety	All occupants' psychological,	See 9 Design Criteria in "A	Incorporate as many criteria	Wallace et al, "A Holistic Analysis of	
		cultural, and accessibility	Holistic Analysis of Safety	as applicable to building	Safety within the Court Facility," AAJ	
		needs are addressed. Special	within the Court Facility"	design	summary	
		attention paid to design of	report, e.g. minimize	-	-	
		spaces where public, jurors,	interaction between		U.S. Courthouse Bakersfield, CA; U.S.	
		judges, and detainees	accused and victim, reduce		Courthouse San Diego, CA [both JFR	
		interface	visually hidden areas, etc.		2014]	

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	PRINCIPLE	GOAL	METRIC	TARGET (1)	RESOURCES / EXAMPLES / LINKS	EVALUATION NOTES
H5	Stress Reduction	Sunlight, daylight & views that cue time of day, weather conditions, and psychological connection to nature are provided for informal waiting/ meeting areas, family law spaces, staff work areas, public waiting and circulation areas	LEED credit Indoor Environmental Quality IEQc8.2: Daylight and Views - Views	for 90% of all regularly	National Institute of Building Sciences Whole Building Design Guide: "Promote Health and Well-Being" Denver Justice Center - Lindsey- Flanigan Courthouse [AIA Denver & AIA Colorado award 2010]	
Н6	Suicide Prevention	Prisoner holding areas are an effective part of a comprehensive suicide prevention program	NCCHC Guide to Developing and Revising Suicide Prevention Protocols Within Jails and Prisons	•	NCCHC, "Guide to Developing and Revising Suicide Prevention Protocols Within Jails and Prisons"	

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S8	Efficiency	Appropriate and judicious use of pre-trial custody	Non-sentenced (pre-trial) average daily population in detention	Decrease of three-year moving average	Pretrial Justice Institute recommendations and resource library for improving bail policies and practices	
S 9	Accountability	Maintain policies, monitor officer conduct, and hold officers accountable for their conduct	Accountability strategies of "What A Good Police Department Looks Like" report (See target)	Have in place: 1) Public Policies 2) Early Intervention System 3) Complaint Process 4) Oversight by NACOLE registered body or "auditor" position	Walker, Samuel: "What a Good Police Department Looks Like" National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement	

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C2	Facility Siting	Connect to other justice functions, other civic functions, and provide community access	Travel distance for people receiving police services	Site is within 15 minutes walking or 10 minutes driving of 75% of people receiving police services	International Association of Chiefs of Police, "Police Facility Planning Guidelines: A Desk Reference for Law Enforcement Executives," see site evaluation Reston, VA District Police Station and Governmental Center [AAJ 2012]	
C3	Transportation Access	Facilitate use of mass transit for public and staff accessibility and for inmates upon release	LEED credit Sustainable Sites 4.1: Alternative Transportation - Public Transportation Access	Site is within 1/2 mile of rail transit station or 1/4 mile of at least 2 bus stops (from different bus lines)	The Area B-2 Neighborhood Police Station in Boston is 1 block from a subway station [JFR 2014]	
C4	Co-location	Co-locate with/near: other civic uses; co-locate with schools, community centers, libraries, etc. to increase community access	% of listed services within walking distance	100%	Michigan State University's Program on Police Consolidation and Shared Services provides guidelines and best practices	

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C5	Rightsizing	Project is based on a needs assessment done with significant community input, considers sharing of regional resources	Ratios of sworn and non- sworn per 1000 population for communities of similar profile engaging in community policing	Comparison to comparable communities and sharing of regional resources reduce initial need projections by at least 20% of building area	COPS Office / Michigan State University: "A Performance-based Approach to Police Staffing and Allocation," Chapter 5 - Staffing for Community Policing				
C6	Shared Spaces	Provide meeting rooms, fitness center, or other functions available for general public use	% of building area available for public uses	2% of building area	Hanover Park, IL Police Headquarters; Alexandria, VA Police Headquarters; Boston Area B-2 Police Station [all JFR 2014]				
C7	Technology - Access to Records		% of records accessed online	95%	International Association of Chief of Police, Technology Policy Framework				

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F1	Secure yet Welcoming Exterior	Welcoming site and building features; blast/impact and site security barriers ere effective but not imposing; building entry areas are open and accessible; wayfinding to the building entries is clear with welcoming cues; public can view into building entry and public areas	a. Height of blast/impact barriers b. Size & quality of area in front of public entry doors c. Wayfinding and visibility to public areas d. Visibility to interior public spaces	a. Blast/impact barriers are no taller than 48" above sidewalk level and are designed as aesthetic site features b. Area in front of main entry doors is clear and usable for public gathering; at least 25' deep, preferably 50' deep c. 100% of interior public gathering areas (lobby, jury assembly, cafeteria, records reception, etc.) are clearly visible from the entry point	LAPD Metropolitan Division Facility, 121st Police Precinct Station House, Staten Island, NY; Alexandria, VA Police Department Headquarters; Area B-2 Neighborhood Police Station, Boston, MA; Denver, CO Crime Laboratory; Toronto, ON Forensic Services and Coroner's Complex; Hanover Park, IL Police Headquarters; Hennepin County, MN 911/Emergency Communications Facility; Salt Lake City, UT Public Safety Building [all JFR 2014]	
F2	Secure yet Welcoming Interior Crime Prevention	Members of the public feel secure in lobby area Landscape design, access,	Lobby area is clearly observed by police staff, space for filing reports allows for confidential conversations Listed recommendations for	n/a Incorporate 75% of each	Toronto Police Service 14 Division, ON [JFR 2013] Forth Worth Polytechnic Heights Neighborhood Police Center, TX [JFR 2012] Crime Prevention Through	
Γ3	Through Environmental Design (CPTED)	and building features provide for Crime Prevention Through Environment Design	each of the 3 CPTED design principles of Natural surveillance, Natural access control, and Natural territorial reinforcement	principle's listed recommendations	Environmental Design	

	PRINCIPLE	GOAL	METRIC	TARGET (1)	RESOURCES / EXAMPLES / LINKS	EVALUATION NOTES
4	Family Friendly	Building includes comfort facilities for the public, e.g. bathrooms, water, outdoor covered areas	a. Exterior covered areas b. % of indoor public areas that have access to bathrooms and drinking fountains	a. Outdoor cover at entry area b. 100% of indoor public spaces have bathrooms and drinking water	LAPD Rampart Police Station [JFR 2010] Forth Worth Polytechnic Heights Neighborhood Police Center, TX [JFR 2012]	
F5	Healthy staff	Provide space for employee health and wellness	Space program includes staff wellness support and programs, fitness and locker/shower areas; break rooms have refrigerators and food warming stations	Fitness room has 10 sf/person, break area 5 sf/person, one break room per 35 people; facility accommodates dining for half the staff at any given time unless food services are co-located	Urban Land Institute, "Building for Wellness: the Business Case"	
6	Green Building Certification	Improve efficiency while minimizing use of natural resources, enhance human health and natural habitats	LEED-NC (New Construction and Major Renovation) Certification	LEED Silver or better	LAPD Metropolitan Division Facility - LEED Platinum [JFR 2014]	
F 7	Operational Purchasing & Waste Management	Prepare for operational waste minimization, recycling/ composting/ diversion, green purchasing and green janitorial services	LEED EBO&M (Operations & Maintenance) - have policies per the prerequisites for green purchasing, waste management and cleaning	Written policies exist that meet requirements of LEED EBO&M MRp1: Sustainable Purchasing Policy, MRp2: Sustainable Waste Management Policy, and EQp3: Green Cleaning Policy	LEED credit library online, EBO&M page	

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	PRINCIPLE	GOAL	METRIC	TARGET (1)	RESOURCES / EXAMPLES / LINKS	EVALUATION NOTES
H1	Acoustical comfort	Sound levels do not create additional stress or obstruct communications	a. Acoustics expertise on project team b. GSA Facilities Standards (P100) for Public Buildings Service	a. An acoustics specialist is included on the project team b. Meet GSA P100 standards for noise, absorption, and isolation in table 3.6.3.4 (p. 96)	National Institute of Building Sciences, Whole Building Design Guide: "Acoustic Comfort"	
H2	Thermal comfort	Temperature and humidity are conducive to comfort and occupants have control over comfort conditions	a. ASHRAE Standard 55, Thermal Environmental Comfort in Buildings b. LEED credit Indoor Environmental Quality 6, Controllability of Systems - Thermal Comfort	a. Indoor temperature and humidity will be within ASHRAE comfort zone for 98% design conditions b. at least 50% of occupants and 100% of shared spaces have comfort controls	National Institute of Building Sciences, Whole Building Design Guide: "Provide Comfortable Environments"	
Н3	Visual comfort	Lighting is conducive to efficient working environments	a. GSA 2003 Facilities Standards (P100) for Public Buildings Service b. LEED credit Indoor Environmental Quality 6, Controllability of Systems - Lighting		National Institute of Building Sciences, Whole Building Design Guide: "Provide Comfortable Environments"	
H4	Sense of Safety	All occupants are safe from harm by others	Staff can rapidly respond to dangerous events within the building	Duress alarm system provided where needed, e.g. reception desk, interview rooms, mobile buttons, etc.	NFPA Standard 731 Electronic Premises Security Systems section 8.3 Duress Alarm Systems	

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	PRINCIPLE	GOAL	METRIC	TARGET (1)	RESOURCES / EXAMPLES / LINKS	EVALUATION NOTES
H5	Stress Reduction	Sunlight, daylight & views	LEED credit Indoor	Per LEED, a view is available	National Institute of Building Sciences	
		that cue time of day,	Environmental Quality	for 90% of all regularly	Whole Building Design Guide:	
		weather conditions, and	IEQc8.2: Daylight and Views -	occupied areas	"Promote Health and Well-Being"	
		psychological connection to	Views			
		nature are provided for staff			LAPD Metropolitan Division [JFR 2014]	
		areas				
					LAPD Rampart Police Station [JFR	
					2010]	
Н6	Suicide Prevention	· ·	NCCHC Guide to Developing	· '	NCCHC, "Guide to Developing and	
		an effective part of a	and Revising Suicide	designated to house suicidal	Revising Suicide Prevention Protocols	
		comprehensive suicide	Prevention Protocols Within	inmates should be as suicide-	Within Jails and Prisons"	
		prevention program	Jails and Prisons	resistant as is reasonably		
				possible, free of all obvious		
				protrusions, and provide full		
				visibility"		

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SOCIETAL SCALE

A sustainable relationship between society and the criminal justice system is one where maintaining present operations into the future consumes acceptable levels of resources and creates results that can be assimilated back into society at large. At the societal scale the challenges for present operations result more from unsustainable levels of incarceration (with attendant resource consumption), negative results from interaction between the system and individuals (e.g. high recidivism rates), and a lack of social equity in the outcomes of justice for the various groups within society. Increasing public awareness of evidence-based approaches to criminal justice administration allows justice facilities to drive best practices in future operations.

	PRINCIPLE	GOAL	METRIC	TARGET (1)	RESOURCES / EXAMPLES / LINKS	EVALUATION NOTES
S1	Safety - proactive	Prevent violence so that	Violent crime rate based on	Decrease of three-year	National Institute of Justice,	
		people can enjoy security at	Uniform Crime Report	moving average	CrimeSolutions.Gov includes 23	
		home and in public	definitions		violence prevention and suppression	
					programs that have proven effective	
					and 63 violence prevention and	
					suppression programs that are	
					promising	
S2	Safety - reactive	Address offenders to	Recidivism rate (using best	Decrease of three-year	For guidance on recidivism rates, see	
		prevent future criminal	available records from	moving average	Urban Institute, "Improving Recidivism	
		behavior	jurisdiction)		as a Performance Measure." For	
					evidence-based programs to reduce	
					recidivism, see CrimeSolutions.Gov	
S 3	Proportionality	Punishment fits the crime	Incarceration rate (2)	Decrease of three-year	Proposals for sentencing reform are	
				moving average	laid out in National Research Council's	
					"The Growth of Incarceration in the	
					United States: Exploring the Causes	
					and Consequences"	
S4	Equality	Treat all minority	Proportion of minority	Any group should	Regular review of racial profiling	
		populations with equal	populations incarcerated vs.	reasonably match its	statistics and of racial disparities in	
		dignity and respect as	percent in jurisdiction (2)	proportion of population	sentencing outcomes for similar	
		majority population			crimes, sensitivity training for law	
					enforcement, sentencing reform (e.g.	
					crack v. powder cocaine)	
S 5	Responsiveness to	Address broader impact of	Percentage of victims served	All victims have access to	Victim assistance programs, victim-	
	victims	crime on victims and	by programs	legal proceedings and	offender dialogue, community	
		society, either through		restorative programs	dialogue programs, alternative	
		criminal justice system or			sentencing or restitution options	
		public health or social				
		services				

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	PRINCIPLE	GOAL	METRIC	TARGET (1)	RESOURCES / EXAMPLES / LINKS	EVALUATION NOTES
S6	Coordination	All branches of justice system work together effectively	Coordinating body includes law enforcement, courts, prosecutors and defenders, sheriff/corrections, probation/parole, public health, social services, and community groups	Regular communications / meetings with productive outcomes	National Institute of Corrections, Guidelines for Developing a Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee	
S7	Information Sharing	All branches of justice system share data together effectively to reduce unneeded waiting, processing and detention times	Number of databases that are interoperable with others	All databases should be interoperable with each other	BJA Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative "standards-based electronic information exchange to provide the justice community with timely, accurate, complete, and accessible information in a secure and trusted environment"	
S8	Efficiency	Appropriate and judicious use of pre-trial custody	Non-sentenced (pre-trial) average daily population in detention	Decrease of three-year moving average	Pretrial Justice Institute recommendations and resource library for improving bail policies and practices	
S9	Accountability	Meet best standards; Have open & transparent media policy	ACA or AJA accreditation; List of common problems / best policies listed by Society of Professional Journalists	Hold appropriate accreditation; Avoid common problems, provide best-in-class access policy	Society of Professional Journalists prison page	

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⁽¹⁾ comparison to other jurisdictions should also be considered to place the data in context, e.g. aiming to have a rate lower than the 40th percentile of other states or counties

⁽²⁾ when data quality allow it, arrest rate may be used in addition to incarceration rate.

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COMMUNITY SCALE

A sustainable relationship between the community and the criminal justice system is one where maintaining present operations into the future consumes acceptable levels of resources and creates results that can be assimilated back into society at large. At the community scale sustainability requires a thoughtful public planning process that develops a holistic, system approach to solutions and results in justice facilities that are purposeful to all stakeholders: justice officials and workers, plaintiffs and defendants, victims, family members, the media, and the broader public. Sustainable principles intend to balance community resources with long-term needs; communities also provide alternatives to incarceration and a continuum of services after incarceration. Key strategies also include in-person appearances essential to many justice system procedures, but information technology can and should be used to reduce travel impacts and improve access to justice system procedures and records except where it might detract from just outcomes or conflict with individual rights.

	PRINCIPLE	GOAL	METRIC	TARGET (1)	RESOURCES / EXAMPLES / LINKS	EVALUATION NOTES
C1	Planning Process	Broad and inclusive stakeholder and community involvement in a comprehensive planning process for justice system needs	Series of community meetings/interaction; Stakeholders include all relevant justice system components and community groups	Community meetings are held to solicit input and changes are made based on feedback received.; participation from detention/ corrections,	SEED Evaluator: an on-line communication platform that can include multiple stakeholders and diverse community members in the planning process	
		needs	.	parole/ probation, legal advocates, courts, public health, social services, elected officials, community groups	US GSA Urban Development / Good Neighbor Program: see "Resources" for policy and "eNews" for case studies	
C2	Facility Siting	Locate facilities near suitable workforce and of population in custody	Travel distance to homes of people who work and are housed in facility	Site is within 1 hour travel of majority (50%) of regional workforce homes and inmates' families' homes	National Institute of Corrections, Site Selection library American Bar Association, standard 23 8.1, Location of facilities	
C3	Transportation Access	Facilitate use of mass transit for public and staff accessibility	LEED credit Sustainable Sites 4.1: Alternative Transportation - Public Transportation Access	Site is within 1/2 mile of rail transit station or 1/4 mile of at least 2 bus stops (from different bus lines)	The Arizona State Forensic Hospital is located at the corner of 2 bus lines in Phoenix, AZ [JFR 2014]	
C4	Co-location	Co-locate with/near: court (jail only), health care, mental health care, public health, reentry facilities, education, employment	% of listed services within walking distance	100%	Denver Justice Center - Lindsey- Flanigan Courthouse [AIA Denver & AIA Colorado award 2010] and Van Cise-Simonet Detention Center [JFR 2012]	

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	PRINCIPLE	GOAL	METRIC	TARGET (1)	RESOURCES / EXAMPLES / LINKS	EVALUATION NOTES
C5	Rightsizing	Project is based on a needs assessment done with significant community input	Needs assessment includes alternatives to incarceration, programs that reduce length of stay, and programs to reduce	Programs reduce initial need projections by at least 20% of building area and bed count	Las Colinas Detention and Reentry Facility, San Diego County, CA [JFR Van Cise-Simonet Detention Center, Denver, CO [JFR 2012]	
			recidivism		Union County Juvenile Detention Center, Linden, NJ [JFR 2009]	
C6	Shared Spaces	Provide meeting rooms, gymnasium, or other functions available for	% of building area available for public uses	2% of building area	Rankin Inlet Healing Facility [JFR 2013]	
		public use or shared interaction with inmate population			Rhode Island Youth Development Center [JFR 2009]	
C7	Technology - Access to Records	Use technology to balance records accessibility and confidentiality	ABA Standards on Treatment of Prisoners 23- 7.7 Records and confidentiality	Data storage systems track consent for release of confidential information, amendments to records, etc.	American Bar Association, Standard 23-7.7, Records and confidentiality	
C8	Technology - Video Appearance	Provide robust option for video visitation without supplanting in-person visiting	% of prisoners w/ access to video visitation and in- person visitation	100% access to video and in- person visitation	American Bar Association, Standard 23-8.5e, Visiting	
C9	Gender Responsive	Address gender-specific issues such as needs for privacy, potential pregnancy, frequent history of substance abuse and domestic violence, and infacility violence against women	NIC Facility Planning Guide lists 19 predesign and 4 design issues, e.g. "balancing the need for modesty and observation"	Address all 23 issues unless not relevant to the design of the facility	National Institute of Corrections, "Facility Planning To Meet the Needs of Female Inmates" National Resource Center on Justice- Involved Women	

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FACILITY SCALE

A sustainable relationship between a justice facility and the criminal justice system is one where maintaining present operations into the future consumes acceptable levels of resources and creates results that can be assimilated back into society at large. At the facility scale sustainability requires a focused planning of the facility's aesthetic and functions as a responsible neighbor, employer, housing and care provider (toward those detained in the system), which is purposeful to the facility's role in the larger justice system. The planning and design of facilities has a lasting effect on the communities where they reside; the facility is the tangible link or interface where the public meet those within the system. The facility is also a supportive vessel of a resorative justice systems approach, which informs operations that drive desired interaction with the individual. Time spent in the facility impacts an individual's experience within the system and outcomes beyond the system, certainly for those who work or reside within a facility for any extended period of time and those who transition back into society.

	PRINCIPLE	GOAL	METRIC	TARGET (1)	RESOURCES / EXAMPLES / LINKS	EVALUATION NOTES
F1	Secure yet Welcoming Exterior	Welcoming site and building features; building serves as secure perimeter	a. % of unbuilt site are that is unfenced / has pedestrian access b. % of perimeter that has razor wire or similar features	a. 100% access to building perimeter b. 0% razor wire	Las Colinas Detention and Reentry Facility, San Diego County, CA; Rankin Inlet Healing Facility [both JFR 2013] Union County, NJ Juvenile Detention Center [JFR 2009]	
F2	Secure yet Welcoming Interior	Security screening is appropriately planned but does not define the visitor entry experience	Entry area space available for uses other than cueing and screening	Cueing and screening take up no more than 50% of the visitor entry lobby	Johnson County Youth & Family Services Center [JFR 2012]	
F3	Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)	Landscape design, access, and building features provide for Crime Prevention Through Environment Design	Listed recommendations for each of the 3 CPTED design principles of Natural surveillance, Natural access control, and Natural territorial reinforcement	Incorporate 75% of each principle's listed recommendations	Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design	
F4	Family Friendly	Building includes comfort facilities for the public, e.g. bathrooms, water, outdoor covered areas	a. Exterior covered areas b. % of indoor public areas that have access to bathrooms and drinking fountains	a. Outdoor cover for 100% of typical daily waiting line or at least 6 families b. 100% of indoor public spaces have bathrooms and drinking water	2012 Yale study, "Prison Visitation Policies: A Fifty State Survey" MN State study, "The Effects of Prison Visitation on Offender Recidivism" Vera Institute 2012 study, "The Family and Recidivism"	

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	PRINCIPLE	GOAL	METRIC	TARGET (1)	RESOURCES / EXAMPLES / LINKS	EVALUATION NOTES
F5	Healthy staff	Provide space for employee health and wellness	Space program includes staff wellness support and programs outside of the secure perimeter and satellite staff zones within the secure perimeter that are inaccessible by inmates, fitness and locker/shower areas; break rooms have refrigerators and food warming stations	Fitness room has 10 sf/person, break area 5 sf/person, one break room per 35 people; facility accommodates dining for half the staff at any given time unless food services are co-located	Urban Land Institute, "Building for Wellness: the Business Case"	
F6	Green Building Certification	Improve efficiency while minimizing use of natural resources, enhance human health and natural habitats	LEED-NC (New Construction and Major Renovation) Certification	LEED Silver or better	Iowa State Penitentiary - LEED Gold, California Health Care Facility - LEED Silver [both JFR 2014]	
F7	Operational Purchasing & Waste Management	Prepare for operational waste minimization, recycling/ composting/ diversion, green purchasing and green janitorial services	LEED EBO&M (Operations & Maintenance) - have policies per the prerequisites for green purchasing, waste management and cleaning		LEED credit library online, EBO&M page	
F8	Appropriately Secure Housing	Reserve high-security, expensive construction for high-risk population within the jurisdiction as a whole	Minimize % of housing within the jurisdiction as a whole that is maximum security	Allocate no more than 15% of beds in the jurisdiction as a whole for maximum security	National Research Council, "The Growth of Incarceration in the United States," Ch. 6 - The Experience of Imprisonment	
F9	Health Care & Mental Health Care	Quality and availability of services meets best standards	National Commission on Correctional Health Care accreditation for health care and mental health	Accreditation achieved for both fields	National Commission on Correctional Health Care, Accreditation page	

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	PRINCIPLE	GOAL	METRIC	TARGET (1)	RESOURCES / EXAMPLES / LINKS	EVALUATION NOTES
F10	Inmate Programming Opportunities	Physical facility supports opportunities for people in custody to engage in programming regardless of security level or designation without requiring extra staffing	 a. Ratio of program space to housing space and outdoor space to housing space. b. % of inmates with regular access to programming spaces 	to 30% of total inmate housing area is allocated for	Rand Corporation, "Evaluating the Effectiveness of Correctional Education"	
F11	Outdoor space for inmates	Outdoor space meets stress reduction and health maintenance needs of all inmates	Access, size & quality of outdoor spaces	100% of inmates have access to outdoor spaces that include varied recreational equipment, quiet space, and a mix of open and rain/sun shielded areas	Las Colinas Detention and Reentry Facility, San Diego County, CA [JFR 2013]	

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H1	Acoustical	Sound levels do not create	Noise and reverberation	EXTERIORS	dBA (L10)	dBA (LMax)	Richard Wener, "The Environmental	
	comfort	additional stress or obstruct	levels under ACA maximum;	Offices	45	60	Psychology of Prisons and Jails," Ch. 9 -	
		communications	prevent/ control adjacencies	Treatment spaces Other	50 35	55 50	"The Effects of Noise in Correctional	
			of noise sources: mechanical	Other			Settings" (print only: Cambridge	
			room, elevator room,	INTERIORS	Sound level	Reverb time (sec)	University Press, 2012)	
			loading dock, kitchen; and	Classrooms /	40	0.75		
			quiet spaces: conference/	Program Medical	45	0.9	Facilities Standards for the Public	
			training/ classrooms,	Dayrooms	50	1.5	Buildings Service (P-100)	
			interview rooms, sleeping	BETWEEN	I FLOORS	<u> </u>	, ,	
			rooms	Impact noise control		minimum		
				Sound isolation		= 55 imum		
H2	Thermal comfort	Temperature and humidity	a. ASHRAE Standard 55,	a. Indoor tem	•		National Institute of Building Sciences,	
		are conducive to comfort	Thermal Environmental	humidity will be within V		ithin	Whole Building Design Guide: "Provide	
		and occupants have control	Comfort in Buildings	ASHRAE comfort zone for		ne for	Comfortable Environments"	
		over comfort conditions	b. LEED credit Indoor	98% design conditions		ions		
			Environmental Quality 6,	b. at least 50% of occupants		•		
			Controllability of Systems -	and 100% of shared spaces				
			Thermal Comfort	have comfort controls,		rols,		
				including inmates and		and		
				inmate				
Н3	Visual comfort	Lighting is conducive to	a. GSA 2003 Facilities				National Institute of Building Sciences,	
		space uses including work,	Standards (P100) for Public	for interior lig			Whole Building Design Guide: "Provide	
		sleep, learning, living	Buildings Service	and quantity			Comfortable Environments"	
			b. LEED credit Indoor	b. at least 90% of occupants		•		
			Environmental Quality 6,	and 100% of shared spaces		•		
			Controllability of Systems -	have lighting controls,				
			Lighting	including inm				
				and dormite	ory slee	ping		
				are	eas			

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	PRINCIPLE	GOAL	METRIC	TARGET (1)	RESOURCES / EXAMPLES / LINKS	EVALUATION NOTES
H4 H5	Sense of Safety Stress Reduction	All occupants are safe from harm by others; special attention paid to house inmates according to classification and inmate environments are conducive to optimal supervision by staff Sunlight, daylight & views that cue time of day,	a. Use of direct supervision housing with supportive surveillance equipment b. Use of duress systems c. Adoption of PREA standards (Prison Rape Elimination Act) Per NIC Jail Design Guide, "Natural light should be	a. All housing and inmate areas operate via direct supervision w/ camera surveillance as backup for documentation b. Duress alarm system provided c. PREA standards adopted by operator's jurisdiction Per LEED credit Indoor Environmental Quality	National Institute of Corrections, Direct Supervision Jails page (see interior glazing design and staff training) National Fire Protection Association, Standard 731, Electronic Premises Security Systems, section 8.3 Duress Alarm Systems PREA Resource Center National Institute of Corrections, Jail Design Guide, p. 156-157	
		weather conditions, and psychological connection to nature are provided for staff areas, public visiting areas, and inmate living and program areas	and dayroom areas;" other areas should have daylight and/or views of nature, including simulated views if necessary	IEQc8.2: Daylight and Views - Views: a view is available for 90% of all regularly occupied areas; simulated views are provided in areas where actual views cannot be provided	Farbstein, Jay; Melissa Farling, and Richard Wener, "The Impact of Simulated Nature Views on Stress in a Correctional Setting"	
Н6	Suicide Prevention	All correctional facilities, regardless of size, should have a comprehensive suicide prevention program that addresses housing among other critical components	NCCHC Guide to Developing and Revising Suicide Prevention Protocols Within Jails and Prisons	per NCCHC: "Suicidal inmates should be housed in the general population, mental health unit, or medical infirmary, located close to staff all cells designated to house suicidal inmates should be as suicideresistant as is reasonably possible"	NCCHC Guide to Developing and Revising Suicide Prevention Protocols Within Jails and Prisons Dye, M.H., "Relationship between Prison Conditions, Inmate Characteristics, and Suicide," AAJ Summary	
H7	Normative Visual Environment	Provide a durable, safe, and non-institutional environment to cue pro- social behavior	Selection of finishes, colors and patterns used on surfaces, fixtures, furniture and equipment within staff and inmates areas	In dayrooms, use at least three distinct wall treatment/ colors, wall and ceiling treatments are varied, carpet where possible,furniture is similar to university or hospital typical furniture.	Las Colinas Detention and Reentry Facility, San Diego County, CA [JFR 2013]	

S1	National Institute of Justice, CrimeSolutions.Gov	www.crimesolutions.gov	
S2	Urban Institute, "Improving Recidivism as a Performance Measure"	http://www.urban.org/UploadedPDF/413247-improving-recidivism.pdf	
S3	National Research Council "The Growth of Incarceration in the United States: Exploring the Causes and Consequences"	www.nap.edu/catalog/18613/the-growth-of-incarceration-in-the-united-states- exploring-causes	
S6	National Institute of Corrections, Guidelines for Developing a Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee	http://static.nicic.gov/Library/017232.pdf	
S7	BJA Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative	https://it.ojp.gov/global	
S8	Pretrial Justice Institute	http://www.pretrial.org	
S9	National Center for State Courts "CourTools"	www.courtools.org	
	Walker, Samuel: "What a Good Police Department Looks Like"	http://samuelwalker.net/2014/10/what-does-a-good-police-department-look-like-report-offers-an-anwer/	
	Society of Professional Journalists prison page	www.spj.org/prisonaccess.asp	
	National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement	http://www.nacole.org	
C1	SEED Evaluator	http://www.seednetwork.org/evaluator/	
	US GSA Urban Development / Good Neighbor Program: see "Resources" for policy and "eNews" for case studies	http://www.gsa.gov/portal/category/21088	
C2	International Association of Chiefs of Police, "Police Facility Planning Guidelines: A Desk Reference for Law Enforcement Executives," see site evaluation	http://www.theiacp.org/Portals/0/pdfs/Publications/ACF2F3D.pdf	
	National Institute of Corrections, Site Selection library	http://nicic.gov/library/topic/520-site-selection	
	Reston, VA District Police Station and Governmental Center [AAJ 2012]	http://network.aia.org/resources/viewdocument/?DocumentKey=14eb6305-d634- 4da2-b91e-2c56f7079e81	
	American Bar Association, standard 23-8.1, Location of facilities	http://www.americanbar.org/publications/criminal_justice_section_archive/crimjust_standards_treatmentprisoners.html#23-8.1	
C3	Durham County Courthouse, Durham, NC [JFR 2014]	http://www.aia.org/aiaucmp/groups/aia/documents/pdf/aiab104864.pdf	
	Area B-2 Neighborhood Police Station, Boston, MA [JFR 2014]	http://www.aia.org/aiaucmp/groups/aia/documents/pdf/aiab104864.pdf	
	Arizona State Forensic Hospital, Phoenix, AZ [JFR 2014]	http://www.aia.org/aiaucmp/groups/aia/documents/pdf/aiab104864.pdf	
C4	Denver Justice Center - Lindsey-Flanigan Courthouse [AIA Denver & AIA Colorado award 2010]	http://riccigreene.com/project_desc.php?pid=121&type_id=11&p=7	
	Michigan State University, Program on Police Consolidation and Shared Services	http://policeconsolidation.msu.edu	
	Van Cise-Simonet Detention Center [JFR 2012]	http://public.aia.org/sites/jfr/SitePages/Project.aspx?project=409	
C5	Michigan State University: "A Performance-based Approach to Police Staffing and Allocation," Chapter 5	http://ric-zai-inc.com/Publications/cops-p247-pub.pdf	
	Las Colinas Detention and Reentry Facility, San Diego County, CA [JFR 2013]	http://www.aia.org/practicing/groups/kc/AIAB100051	
C5	Van Cise-Simonet Detention Center, Denver, CO [JFR 2012]	http://public.aia.org/sites/jfr/SitePages/Project.aspx?project=409	
	Union County Juvenile Detention Center, Linden, NJ [JFR 2009]	http://public.aia.org/sites/jfr/SitePages/Project.aspx?project=321	

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