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OSIG VISITS VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FACILITIES

The Virginia Office of the State Inspector General (OSIG) visited four correctional facilities recently in its effort to ensure the Virginia Department of Corrections (VADOC) is in compliance with its treatment of offenders and handling of grievances per Code of Virginia § 2.2-309.3. OSIG staff met with personnel and offenders at the Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women, Sussex I & II State Prisons and the Marion Correctional Treatment Center.



From left: OSIG Investigations
Manager Richard Scholl, OSIG Chief
of Investigations Katrina Goodman
and OSIG Deputy Inspector General
for Investigations and Administration
Corrine Louden in front of a mural
designed and painted by an offender
in the Veteran Pod at Sussex II State
Prison in Waverly, Virginia.

"The wardens and command staff at each of the facilities were receptive to our visits, gave us full tours of the facilities, and answered any and all questions we had," said OSIG Chief of Investigations Katrina Goodman. "They provided details on how the facilities operate, how they provide medical treatment to offenders, how they treat the segregated populations and how staff turnover is managed." The OSIG team visited the facilities' separate pods for behavioral and mental health, juveniles, community and road crews, veteran populations and those with particular vulnerabilities. The team also visited the vocational facilities for apparel, printing, braille, optical, dental, document conversion and laundry. OSIG leadership plans to visit other VADOC facilities throughout the year.

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