

SWORN STATEMENT NO.20-1 FROM PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY JAIL

We do not have cell phone footage of abuses inside prisons and jails. I am reading the following sworn testimony from a person held in the Prince George's County Jail to lift this veil of secrecy and hold our justice system accountable. This testimony was taken in April 2020.

I am currently incarcerated at the Upper Marlboro District Detention Center. I have been detained since January, 2020.

A few people in my unit have symptoms. One guy has been having breathing problems and throat swelling. Two weeks ago someone left that same cell with Corona. The new guy has been trying to go see the nurse and filling out sick calls for weeks straight with no response. It took about 3 weeks for him to get to the sick call.

There are signs posted throughout the unit to encourage social distancing, but that's it. The CO's don't say anything if people are sitting together. CO's don't do anything to enforce social distancing.

Just yesterday there were about 15-20 people out at the same time and all the phones were being used.

Right before the Doctor came into the jail that is when the entire tier was cleaned. That was the only time I've seen the whole unit cleaned.

Wipes aren't given. There are no wipes near phones. Really no wipes at all.

When the outbreak first happened a jail representative came in and told us that the Cos would give us wipes and that we just needed to go to the desk to ask.

When you go to the desk to ask for the wipes the C.O.s say that they ran out. There is not enough soap to wash my hands frequently. One inmate that I showered with in the beginning had COVID for like a week before he was taken off the unit.

The COs don't change out of their personal masks between their shift.