

BROOME COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Sheriff Triples Visitation Hours Available for Family and Loved Ones at Correctional Facility Since January of 2023

(TOWN OF DICKINSON, NY) Sheriff Fred Akshar announced a further expansion of visitation hours with open visitation at the Broome County Sheriff's Correctional Facility effective immediately.

When Sheriff Akshar took office in January of this year, 15 hours per week were available for visitation, and all visits were appointment only. By February, visitation hours had been doubled to 30 hours per week with no appointment necessary. Now, families and loved ones have over 47 hours available each week to visit incarcerated individuals at the Broome County Correctional Facility, over triple the number of hours available at the beginning of the year.

Sheriff Fred Akshar said, "We made a commitment to the community on Day One to help build a stronger, safer community for Broome County residents, and a large part of fulfilling that commitment is through improving conditions at the Correction Facility. We don't want to see the incarcerated people currently in our care ever stay with us again, and we can better prepare them to be successful, contributing members of our community on the outside if we provide more constructive services and support for them while they're on the inside."

The visitation expansion coincides with increased staffing levels at the Broome County Sheriff's Correctional Facility after a successful hiring campaign for new and transferring Corrections Officers.

"Our Corrections Officers and staff are doing an outstanding job implementing these new policies, integrating their newer colleagues and working every day to keep everyone both working and living in the Correctional Facility safe and healthy," said Akshar. "Whether it's expanding visitation hours, hiring the largest class of new corrections officers in the history of the Facility, creating a new Criminal Investigations Team to stop contraband in its tracks, the rapid expansion of support and education programs or the new correctional facility garden, I'm proud of the progress we've made on a variety of fronts in only a few short months. We're looking forward to more exciting announcements in the coming weeks."

New Visitation Hours are as follows:

General Housing Visitation

Monday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM Tuesday 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM Wednesday 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

I/Max-Female, Special Housing, D-Pod / Restricted/Medical Visitation

Tuesday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

Wednesday 8:30 AM - 11:30 9:00 PM - 10:00 PM

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