



Minnesota Correctional Facilities

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NEW MISSION FOR THE MCF-TOGO

After 60 years of providing juvenile programming, the Minnesota Correctional Facility-Togo is transitioning on July 1 to a minimum security facility for adult males, while maintaining its current Challenge Incarceration Program for men.

Nation-wide, juvenile crime is down significantly and the justice system has embraced the evidence-based practice of using local, community-based programs for treating juvenile offenders. While this is good news for communities, it's no longer feasible to sustain Togo's juvenile programs.

Transitioning to an adult facility allows the Department of Corrections (DOC) to partner with communities in northern Minnesota through offender work crews on such projects as roadside clean-up, park and trail work, and storm damage clean-up. These projects provide crew members an opportunity to give back to the community and learn new skills that will help them upon release.

"We are inspired by the success stories that came out of this program and are grateful for the dedication of staff and volunteers over the years that made all of this possible," said DOC Deputy Commissioner Terry Carlson. "Even though Togo's mission is changing, our future is bright and we will continue to be a leader in effective evidence-based correctional programming."

The DOC thanks the staff, community of Togo, Itasca County, and volunteers for their years of dedication to the program. The department looks forward to continued success in the programming at the MCF-Togo and contributing to a safer Minnesota.

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