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Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office Announces All Juvenile Residents Have Been Transferred From the Juvenile Detention Center

(Charlotte, NC) – As the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) moves forward with ceasing operations at the Mecklenburg County Juvenile Detention Center (MCJDC), all juveniles have been transferred to North Carolina Department of Public Safety (NCDPS) juvenile detention facilities as of 1:00pm this afternoon. MCSO has been working in collaboration with NCDPS since first announcing that operations would cease at the MCJDC to have juveniles transferred to other juvenile detention facilities and the transition to other facilities has been seamless.

"Discontinuing operations at the Juvenile Detention Center was not an easy decision, but when you consider the operating costs for a non-mandated function it made sound financial sense to end juvenile operations at the end of the three-year agreement with NCDPS. MCSO has a responsibility to the citizens of Mecklenburg County to operate in a fiscally responsible manner and our focus must be on the mandated services that we are required to provide," said Sheriff McFadden who remains an advocate for juvenile justice reform.

MCJDC will officially cease operations on December 1, 2022 at the conclusion of our three-year agreement with the NCDPS. Although juvenile detention operations will cease, administrative staff will continue to work out of the facility, and the building will be maintained in case the facility is needed for future use.

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