

Self-Surrender Information

For defendants preparing to commit to a federal prison facility

Designation and Types of Federal Facilities

The BOP designates sentenced defendants to institutions that meet their security, program, and medical needs while maintaining population balance throughout their nationwide system. The BOP tries to place defendants within 500 miles of their home.

There are five different security levels in BOP: minimum, low, medium, high, and administrative. Security levels are based on such features as the presence of external patrols, security barriers, the type of housing within the institution, and the staff-to-inmate ratio. Inmates will be designated based on their offense, prior record, history of violence, and other factors.

Work Programs, Education and Job Training

All inmates are required to work if they are medically able. Work assignments include food service, plumber, painter, or groundskeeper. Inmates earn 12 to 14 cents per hour for these jobs.

The BOP offers a variety of programs for inmates to acquire literacy and marketable skills to help them obtain employment after release. All institutions offer literacy classes, English as a Second Language, parenting classes, wellness education, adult continuing education, and library services. Inmates who do not have a high school diploma or a General Educational Development (GED) certificate must participate in the literacy program for a minimum on 240 hours or until they obtain the GED.

Occupational and vocational training programs are based on the needs of the inmates, general labor market conditions, and institution labor force needs. Inmates receive on-the-job training through institution job assignments and 16% of them work in Federal Prison Industries (FPI) or UNICOR. In this program, inmates work with metals, furniture, electronics, textiles, and graphic arts.

Visiting

Each Federal prison has set visiting hours for family and friends to visit inmates. Visiting hours may vary depending on location and other variables, but all institutions have visiting hours of Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. By law, an inmate gets at least four hours of visiting time per month. Usually the prison can provide more.

An initial visiting list is ordinarily distributed within the first few day's of an inmate's commitment period. The list includes immediate family (mother, father, step-parents, foster parents, brothers and sisters, spouses, and children), other relatives (grandparents, uncles, aunts, in-laws, and cousins), friends, and associates. Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.



U.S. Pretrial Services

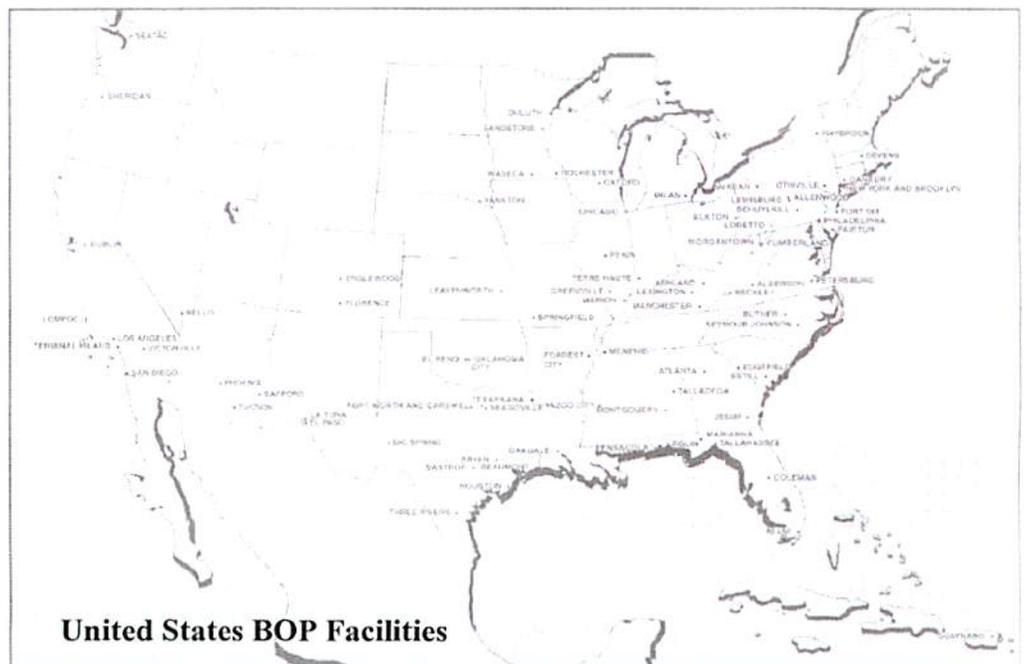
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United States BOP Facilities

Telephone and E-mail and Written Correspondence

The BOP extends telephone privileges to inmates to help them maintain ties with their families and other community contacts. Except for pre-arranged calls to an attorney, all calls are recorded and are subject to monitoring by staff. Ordinarily, the inmate pays for the phone calls. Limitations and conditions may be imposed upon an inmate's telephone privileges to ensure they are consistent with the BOP's correctional management responsibilities. The placement and duration of any telephone call is subject to the availability of the inmate's funds. The warden establishes the maximum length of telephone calls.

The BOP allows inmates housed at institutions operating the Trust Fund Limited Inmate Computer System (TRULINCS) access to e-mail. Inmates are limited to sending and receiving e-mails only from individuals on their approved contact list. An inmate must request to exchange e-mails with a person in the community by placing that person on their contact list. All email correspondence is subject to monitoring.

Inmates have liberal mail privileges. General correspondence is opened and inspected by staff for security purposes. "Special mail" is opened only in the presence of the inmate and is inspected for contraband. Incoming and outgoing general correspondence is subject to monitoring, reading, and inspection consistent with established procedures.

Personal Property

For security, safety, and sanitation reasons, the BOP limits the amount of property (jewelry, photographs, books, magazines) inmates may have and the types of publications inmates can receive. The institution issues clothing hygiene items, bedding, and provides laundry services. Inmates may purchase other personal care items, shoes, some recreational clothing, and some food items through the commissary.

Good Conduct

An inmate earns 54 days credit toward service of sentence for good conduct for each year served. This amount is prorated when the time served by the inmate for the sentence dur-

Role of Pretrial Services

Unless the judge removed the defendant's bond at sentencing, the defendant is still on bond and under Pretrial Supervision. The sentenced defendant is to continue to report to his/her assigned Pretrial Services Officer until the surrender date or otherwise directed by the Pretrial Services Officer.

The sentenced defendant is encouraged to ask Pretrial Services questions about his/her designation. Pretrial Services' role is to continue to assist the defendant throughout the pendency of his/her case. Pretrial Services can provide direction and other useful information regarding the designated facility.

Helpful Websites

Federal Bureau of Prisons: <http://www.bop.gov>

U.S. Pretrial Services District of Hawaii: <http://www.hipt.uscourts.gov>

Airline Tickets:

<http://www.kayak.com>

<http://www.orbitz.com>

<http://www.priceline.com>

Transportation Security Administration: <http://www.tsa.gov>

Airport Transportation:

<http://www.supershuttle.com>

<http://www.primetimeshuttle.com>

<http://www.shuttleexpress.com>

Western Union

<http://www.westernunion.com>

BOP Facilities in California

Men

USP Atwater

FDC Dublin

FCI Lompoc

FPC Lompoc

ICC Lompoc

USP Lompoc

MCC San Diego

MDC Los Angeles

FCI Terminal Island

FCI Victorville

Women

FCI Dublin

FPC Dublin

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