North Dakota Correctional Facilities

Cell Secretary — Facility Information Guide

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Addresses, phone numbers, and visiting information from the North Dakota DOCR (docr.nd.gov), the Southwest Multi-County Correction Center, and Burleigh County. Schedules change — call the facility to confirm before you go.

Items marked "Not published" were searched for in official sources and are not publicly released by the agency.

Burleigh/Morton County Detention Center

4000 Apple Creek Road, Bismarck, ND 58504 (mail: PO Box 2499, Bismarck, ND 58502) | (701) 255-3113 | Sheriff: Kelly Leben

County detention center operated by the Burleigh County Sheriff's Office. The DOCR contracted 120 beds here for minimum-security inmates and programming (per North Dakota Monitor, December 2025).

Visiting hours

- Per Burleigh County (burleigh.gov): visitation every Tuesday and Thursday (except holidays), 1:00–4:00 p.m. One 20-minute visit per inmate per visitation day; maximum two visitors; photo ID required.
- Visits do not need to be scheduled in advance, but visitors may call (701) 255-3113 the day before or day of to reserve a time slot.
- Schedules change — call (701) 255-3113 to confirm before traveling.

Dakota Women's Correctional and Rehabilitation Center (DWCRC)

440 McKenzie Street, New England, ND 58647 | (701) 579-5100 | Female facility — Interim Warden: Julie Green (Deputy Warden/Chief of Security, per SWMCCC)

Contracted facility operated by the Southwest Multi-County Correction Center, housing women for the North Dakota DOCR since 2003 (per the operator).

Visiting hours

- Per the operator (SWMCCC): Fridays 6:15–8:15 p.m. MST, adults only; Saturdays 9:00 a.m.–12:15 p.m. MST adults only and 12:30–3:50 p.m. general public; Sundays 9:00 a.m.–3:50 p.m. MST general public; legal holidays 9:00 a.m.–12:15 p.m. MST adults only and 12:30–3:50 p.m. general public.
- Note: the operator's DWCRC subpage gives a simplified "Saturday and Sunday 9 a.m.–4 p.m." version — call (701) 579-5100 to confirm current hours before traveling.

Heart River Correctional Center (HRCC)

701 16th Avenue Southwest, Mandan, ND 58554 | (701) 667-1400 | Female facility — Warden: Connie Hackman Rivinius

DOCR minimum-security women's prison, established 2021. A new 304-bed women's prison is being built on the Heart River campus, expected to open fall 2027 (per the North Dakota Monitor, April 2025).

Visiting hours

- Per the DOCR Family and Friends page: in-person visiting Saturday 10:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. and Sunday 10:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- All visitors are subject to search; photo ID required (under 16 exempt); no one under 18 unless accompanied by a parent or legal guardian (per the DOCR visitation page).
- Schedules change — call (701) 667-1400 to confirm before traveling.

James River Correctional Center (JRCC)

2521 Circle Drive, Jamestown, ND 58401 | (701) 253-3660 | Men's facility — Warden: Chad Pringle

DOCR medium-security men's prison, opened 1998 on the grounds of the State Hospital.

Visiting hours

- Per the DOCR Family and Friends page — in-person visiting: Tuesday 6:30–8:30 p.m.; Thursday 6:30–8:30 p.m. (adults only); Friday 6:30–8:30 p.m.; Saturday 8:30–10:30 a.m. (adults only) and 10:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m. (last names A–L); Sunday 8:30–10:30 a.m. (adults only) and 10:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m. (last names M–Z). No visiting Monday or Wednesday.
- JRCC Minimum Unit: Monday, Wednesday, and Sunday 6:30–8:30 p.m., and state holidays.
- Onsite visits are held at the front gate and are free of charge; video visits run 8:00 a.m.–8:30 p.m. Central Time and must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance at videovisitanywhere.com.
- Schedules change — call (701) 253-3660 to confirm before traveling.

Missouri River Correctional Center (MRCC)

1800 48th Avenue S.W., Bismarck, ND 58506 (mail: PO Box 5521, Bismarck, ND 58506-5521) | (701) 328-9696 | Men's minimum-security facility — Warden: Lance Anderson (DOCR PREA contact page) — Deputy Warden: Shannon Davison

DOCR minimum-low and community-custody men's facility, first established in the 1940s as the State Farm.

Visiting hours

- Per the DOCR Family and Friends page — in-person visiting: Wednesday 6:00–8:00 p.m.; Friday 12:45–2:45 p.m. and 6:00–8:00 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 8:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
- Video visits run 8:00 a.m.–10:30 p.m. Central Time and must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance at videovisitanywhere.com.
- Schedules change — call (701) 328-9696 to confirm before traveling.

North Dakota State Penitentiary (NDSP)

3100 Railroad Avenue, PO Box 5521, Bismarck, ND 58506-5521 | (701) 328-6100 | Men's facility — Warden: Joseph Joyce

DOCR maximum-security men's prison, established in Bismarck in 1885 — the state's original prison complex.

Visiting hours

- Per the DOCR Family and Friends page — in-person visiting: Tuesday–Friday 6:00–8:00 p.m. (Thursday adults only); Saturday 8:15–11:30 a.m. (adults only) and noon–3:30 p.m.; Sunday 8:15 a.m.–3:30 p.m. No visiting Monday. Doors open at 8:00 a.m. on weekends and holidays.
- Onsite visits are held in the front lobby and are free of charge; video visits run 8:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m. Central Time and must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance at videovisitanywhere.com.
- Schedules change — call (701) 328-6100 to confirm before traveling.

A note on scope

This guide covers every prison holding North Dakota state inmates — the four DOCR prisons, the contracted women's prison in New England, and the contracted county jail beds in Bismarck.

Not included: contracted transitional and re-entry facilities (Tompkins Rehabilitation and Corrections Center, Bismarck Transition Center, Lake Region Reentry Center, Centre, Inc.) — these are treatment and transitional housing, not prisons. The North Dakota Youth Correctional Center (Mandan) houses youth only and is outside this guide's adult scope — the monthly information check watches for changes.

DOCR population tables also count a small number of people housed out of state with the federal Bureau of Prisons or other states — no named out-of-state contract prison is published on official sources; the monthly check watches for changes.

North Dakota Community Resources

Cell Secretary — Help Beyond the Facilities

Free and low-cost help for treatment, housing, and crisis — from official North Dakota and national sources. Numbers and hours change; if one does not work, dial 2-1-1.

Drug & alcohol treatment help

- FirstLink 2-1-1 Helpline — dial 2-1-1 or 701-235-7335 (SEEK), or text your ZIP code to 898-211 — free 24-hour referrals to substance-use treatment, support groups, and more across North Dakota. (myfirstlink.org)
- North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services — Behavioral Health — addiction services information: 1-701-291-7901; hhs.nd.gov/behavioralhealth.
- SAMHSA National Helpline — 1-800-662-4357, 24/7, free referrals.

Shelter & emergency housing

- FirstLink 2-1-1 — dial 2-1-1 for shelter and housing referrals anywhere in North Dakota; call specialists match you with local programs. (myfirstlink.org)

Crisis & safety

- 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline — call or text 988, 24/7, for suicide, mental-health, or substance-use crisis. (hhs.nd.gov)
- CAWS North Dakota — statewide directory of 20 domestic-violence and sexual-assault intervention centers: cawsnorthdakota.org. Dial 2-1-1 for the center nearest you.
- National Domestic Violence Hotline — 1-800-799-7233, 24-hour, free and confidential.
- National Sexual Assault Hotline (RAINN) — 1-800-656-4673, 24-hour, free and confidential.
- In immediate danger, call 911.