The Department of Corrections’ Office of Detention Facilities (ODF) has statutory authority, in accordance with Wisconsin Statute §301.37, for the regulation and oversight of local detention facilities including county jails, houses of correction, secure juvenile detention centers, secure residential care centers for children and youth, Huber facilities and municipal lockups. Through administrative code, the Department establishes reasonable standards for the design, construction, repair, maintenance, operation and management of these facilities. Regionally located ODF Detention Facilities Specialists conduct annual inspections of each facility, provide technical assistance to local jurisdictions, training to staff, and coordinate a variety of efforts to assist sheriffs, jail administrators, superintendents, police chiefs and other local officials in the operation and management of their facilities.

ODF works to message nationally recognized correctional best practices and applicable state and federal statutes that are designed to mitigate risk and reduce liability in detention settings. Managing and operating safe, secure, and humane facilities promotes safer Wisconsin communities and improves successful offender reentry.

On the next page, you will find the names of the ODF team members, their respective geographical areas of responsibility and contact information. We strive to be accessible and responsive, and are eager to assist our local partners in any way that we can.

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