# Meta House Annual PREA Report – 2022

## Overview

Meta House has a contract with the Department of Corrections to fund residential treatment for 15 women in Meta House’s main campus residential facility. Because of this contract, Meta House is subject to the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA), which is designed to prevent and address sexual harassment and sexual abuse in correctional institutions. As such, we are required to report annually on PREA investigations and reports. Please note that the following data applies only to clients served under Meta House’s contract with the Department of Corrections.

## Data

|  | **2021** | **2022** |
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| How many persons under the supervision of your facility were confined on 12/31? | 12 | 12 |
| How many persons under the supervision of your facility were admitted during the year? | 74 | 70 |
| What was the average daily population? | 11 | 13.2 |
| How many allegations of resident-on-resident nonconsensual sexual acts were reported?[[1]](#footnote-1) | 0 | 0 |
| Substantiated | 0 | 0 |
| Unsubstantiated | 0 | 0 |
| Unfounded | 0 | 0 |
| Investigation ongoing | 0 | 0 |
| How many allegations of resident-on-resident sexual harassment were reported? | 0 | 3 |
| Substantiated | 0 | 2 |
| Unsubstantiated | 0 | 1 |
| Unfounded | 0 | 0 |
| Investigation ongoing | 0 | 0 |
| How many allegations of staff sexual misconduct were reported? | 1 | 1 |
| Substantiated | 0 | 0 |
| Unsubstantiated | 0 | 0 |
| Unfounded | 1 | 1 |
| Investigation ongoing | 0 | 0 |
| How many allegations of staff sexual harassment were reported? | 0 | 2 |
| Substantiated | 0 | 0 |
| Unsubstantiated | 0 | 2 |
| Unfounded | 0 | 0 |
| Investigation ongoing | 0 | 0 |
| What is the total number of substantiated incidents from all of the items above? | 0 | 2 |

## Agency Progress in Addressing Sexual Abuse

Meta House had six reports of sexual misconduct relating to DOC clients: 2 substantiated, 3 unsubstantiated, and 1 unfounded. The program reported the incidents to DOC and worked with DOC to keep clients safe. The agency continues to train staff, volunteers, and clients on identifying and reporting sexual abuse and harassment. The next PREA audit is planned for 2023. Meta House attempted to arrange a PREA audit in 2022; however, the PREA auditor formerly contracted by the program is no longer in business. As of February 2023, Meta House is waiting for information from DOC about potential PREA auditors and is hoping to have this information to arrange a PREA audit in 2023.

1. Nonconsensual and abusive sexual contacts are both included here. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)