

New Lansing facility now housing inmates

(KAIR)--Lansing Correctional Facility's new minimum security building is now open.

According to a news release issued by the Kansas Department of Corrections, the new living unit was built for all of the minimum-security offenders housed at the facility. The building, called E Dorm, will house 512 offenders. The release notes that with the assistance of staff from throughout the Kansas Department of Corrections, the inmates were all moved over to the new housing unit over a period of three days, from December 16-20.

The E Dorm replaces LCF's former East Unit, which had been in use since 1917. LCF opened in 1867 as the Kansas State Penitentiary, making it the oldest and largest state correctional facility in Kansas.

E Dorm is the first phase of a process to rebuild the entire facility. New medium and maximum-security buildings are on schedule to be completed after the start of the new year.

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