



# **Indiana Department of Corrections**

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The Indiana Department of Correction (IDOC) advances public safety and manages 20 adult Correctional Facilities, five juvenile facilities, nine parole districts, a central administrative office and countless community partnerships throughout the state of Indiana.

The IDOC previously had an old, antiquated surveillance system. Their system experienced regular hardware failure, which led to many expensive maintenance costs. The IDOC wanted a new video security system that would be easy for their employees to operate across the state and would minimize their maintenance time and costs.

Kevin Orme, Director of Construction Services consulted Security Automation Systems, a local Indianapolis-based security company to recommend a surveillance system. Orme presented Security Automation Systems with the IDOC budget and security expectations. After beta testing several products, Security Automation Systems suggested standardizing the security system with exacqVision network video recorders (NVR) and exacqVision video management system (VMS) software. The IDOC selected the all-in-one exacqVision solution because it is an Indiana-based product and easy to use.

Security Automation Systems installed exacqVision Z-Series IP NVRs and Axis encoders at



The Indiana Department of Correction (IDOC) operates many facilities across the state including this state prison.



The Michigan City facility has an 8 monitor video wall set up to view the exacqVision client and manage the security operations at once.

each of the adult correctional and juvenile facilities. The exacqVision NVR combined with the Axis encoder allows the IDOC to connect existing analog cameras as well as new IP network cameras and utilize the existing infrastructure. The IDOC had a wide range of analog camera manufacturers already installed. "Since exacqVision integrated with all the camera manufacturers we had, it was the perfect fit," said Orme. Each Correctional Facility has an average of 150 analog cameras already in place.

Since the installation of the new NVRs at the Wabash correctional facility, the IDOC has not paid for any maintenance expenses. The exacqVision server has not experienced failure. "The efficiency and reliability of the exacqVision hardware was the biggest selling point to me," said Orme. "The new exacqVision system saves us thousands of dollars."

The exacqVision Z-Series has front-mount drive bays so facility superintendents can easily replace drives on their own and expand the servers if desired. The enterprise-class drives in the exacqVision Z-Series came with RAID 5 to protect against drive failure.

IDOC uses exacqVision Enterprise VMS software to manage the video. All facility personnel have the ability to download and run the freely distributed exacqVision client on their computers. More than 60 employees throughout the state monitor video on the exacqVision system. Anyone from facility superintendents to correction officers and guards are using the software constantly to make their jobs more efficient and improve the overall operations. exacqVision's free client software enables all IDOC employees to access live and recorded video on Windows, Linux or Mac PCs or through the free web service application on any modern browser.

The Michigan City Correctional Facility has installed an eight-monitor client video wall. The security guard displays up to 48 camera views at once per monitor.



exacqVision Z-Series network video recorders provide high reliability and performance.

With exacqVision Enterprise, Orme had the ability to simultaneously administer privileges to all users on multiple servers. Additionally, users are granted access to the cameras they need to see within their facility. Meanwhile, he set up the downtown Indianapolis headquarters to display video from all facilities throughout the state simultaneously. If there is an issue at one of the facilities, Orme and his team can quickly find the video from that location and investigate the issue further to determine what actions need to be taken.

Instantly after each install corrections officers could easily operate the software for their specific needs without any additional training. "My employees kept telling me how incredibly easy the exacqVision system was to use," said Orme. "In no time, they were searching video to find evidence of inmate incidents without any questions or problems."

Mark Sevier, Miami Correctional Facility Superintendent noted how intuitive and user-friendly the exacqVision client was than previous systems used. "With over 3,000 inmates in our facility, I can quickly search the video during the approximate time, zoom in on the inmates face and have the video evidence I need."

The exacqVision security solution provides many significant advantages including better image quality, easy-to-use, yet intuitive interface and no additional repair expenses.



### **Equipment-At-a-Glance**

#### **Software:**

- exacqVision Enterprise VMS software
- Exacq Mobile app

#### **Hardware:**

- 50+ exacqVision Z-Series NVRs
- 20+ exacqVision ELP-Series NVRs
- Axis encoders
- 3,500+ analog and IP cameras

#### **Purpose/Benefits:**

- Improved corrections officers jobs
- · Reduced hard drive failure
- Eliminated server maintenance costs
- Improve post-incident investigation

## **Meet the Integrator**



www.securityautomationsystems.com 877.727.3679 Security Automation Systems Inc. specializes in providing, installing and servicing correctional and other types of electronic control and monitoring systems. Since 2007, Security Automation Systems has installed complete solutions for commercial customers in the Indiana area.



"My facility superintendents and correction officers have found the exacqVision solution to be incredibly intuitive. The exacqVision system has greatly improved our operations and proved to be highly reliable, saving the IDOC thousands of dollars on maintenance costs."

# **Kevin Orme**Director of Construction Services Indiana Department of Correction