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**News Release**

**Sheriff Opens Two Additional Tents at Jail Complex**



*Brevard County Corrections Officers oversee the transfer of inmates into new Tents at Brevard County Jail*

On Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, Sheriff Jack Parker authorized the transfer of an additional 200 nonviolent/low-risk inmates into two 100-bed Tents at the new Jail Tent Complex from the Jail's main facility. With this transfer of inmates complete, a total of 300 inmates are now currently being housed in three Tents. A 4<sup>th</sup> Tent, also designed to hold 100 inmates, has been completed as a future housing unit. It is expected the 4<sup>th</sup> tent will become operational during the next fiscal year.

Sheriff Parker took office in January 2005 with one of his priorities to focus on addressing the overcrowded conditions at the Jail Complex. Sheriff Parker's proposed the idea of using tents in lieu of more expensive traditional construction. The Sheriff's proposal to include tents as part of a comprehensive building plan to house nonviolent/low-risk inmates was embraced by county commissioners who funded the project, and construction commenced in 2005. The four new Tents were completed in 2006, which ultimately saved millions of tax-dollars as compared to a traditional block and mortar Jail Complex.

Sheriff Parker stated, *"I am impressed with how well the Jail Commander (Susan Jeter) and Corrections Officers conducted the move. I would put our Officers up against any in the nation. There is nothing they can't do well."*

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