

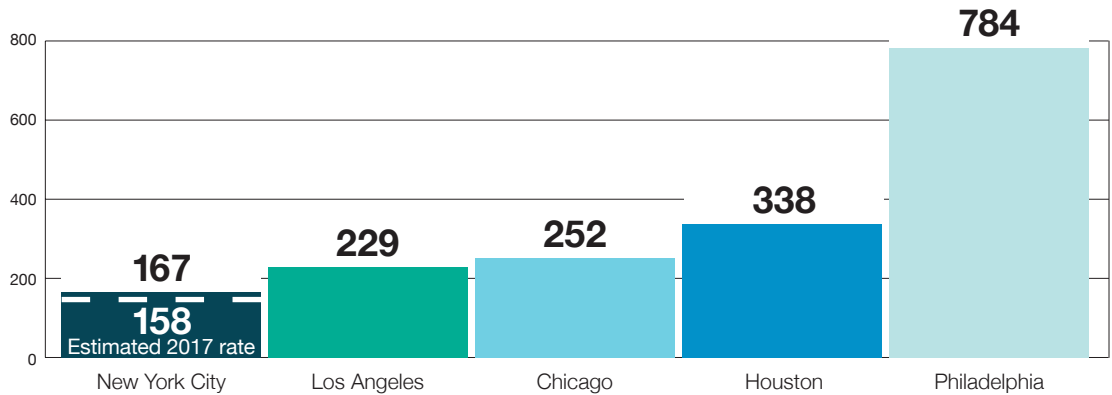
SMALLER SAFER FAIRER

Monthly Progress on New York City's Roadmap to Closing Rikers Island

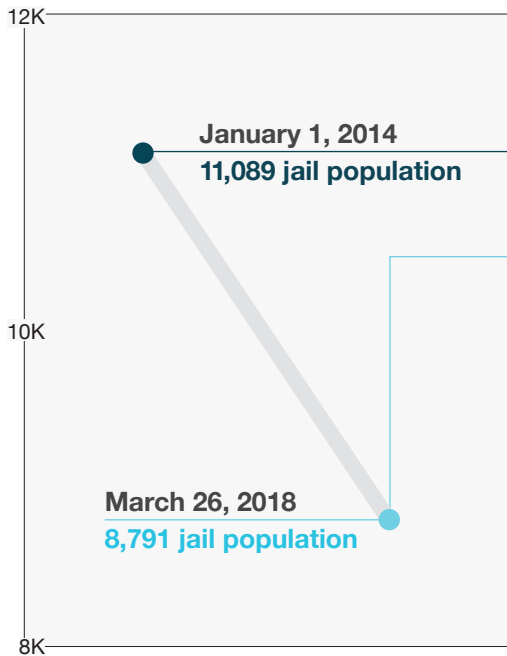
YEAR IN REVIEW

March 31, 2018 marks one year since the Mayor announced the City's plan to close Rikers Island. The jail population is down 22% since the Mayor took office and continues to fall steadily. In March 2018, the average daily jail population was 8,849.

NEW YORK CITY HAS THE LOWEST RATE OF INCARCERATION OF ANY MAJOR US CITY



THE JAIL POPULATION CONTINUES TO FALL



JANUARY 1, 2014

Jail population	11,089
Misdemeanor	995
Violent felony	3,969
Nonviolent felony	3,343
City sentenced	1,600
State parole violators	521
Other	661

MARCH 26, 2018

Jail population	8,791	% Change	Trend
Misdemeanor	627	-37%	↓
Violent felony	3,232	-19%	↓
Nonviolent felony	2,582	-23%	↓
City sentenced	1,128	-30%	↓
State parole violators	698	34%	↑
Other	524	-21%	↓

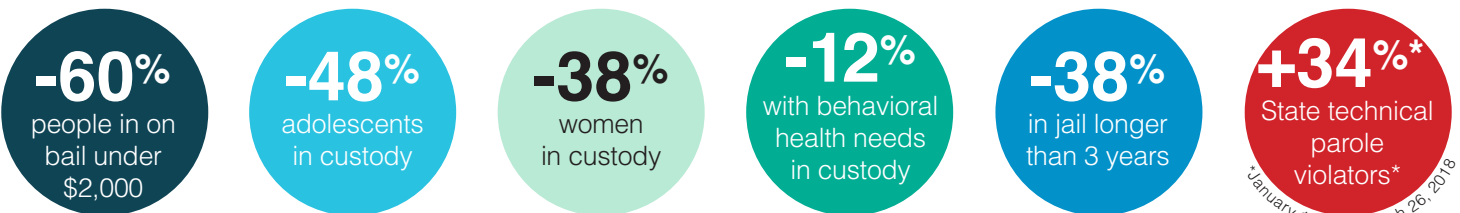
CLOSING RIKERS MILESTONES

- **March 2017:** City announces policy to close Rikers Island
- **June 2017:** Roadmap to close Rikers Island released
- **December 2017:** Average daily jail population in month of December falls below 9,000 for the first time in 35 years
- **January 2018:** City selects Perkins Eastman to create master plan to close Rikers and develop a borough-based jail system
- **February 2018:** Mayor and City Council reach agreement on four sites to replace the jails on Rikers Island as well as a single public review process of identified sites in the four boroughs

The Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice analysis of New York City Department of Correction data, March 2018.

KEY TRENDS IN THE JAIL POPULATION

December 30, 2013–March 26, 2018



ACCOMPLISHED IN THE LAST MONTH:

1 SMALLER

Since launching the City’s initiative to reduce case delay, the number of people detained longer than three years is down 53%. This month the City launched a pilot in Queens to expedite mental competency exams, a primary driver of case delay for those with mental health needs.

2 SAFER

The City opened an additional intensive-care mental health unit for the therapeutic treatment of people who are incarcerated with serious mental illness. This new unit brings the total to six, promoting high quality treatment, fewer use of force incidents and lower rates of self-harm.

3 FAIRER

To support corrections officers in serving the public at the highest levels of integrity, staff must be supported in dealing with stress and other effects of their demanding jobs. This month, the Department of Correction created a new division dedicated to staff wellness, spiritual care, and culture change.

4 TASK FORCE

The three working groups of the Justice Implementation Task Force continue to drive work forward. In the last month, the Population Reduction Group focused on strategies to reduce the city sentenced population, the Culture Change Group developed strategies to improve visitation and the Design Group finalized their first draft of the design principles to inform the new borough-based jail system.

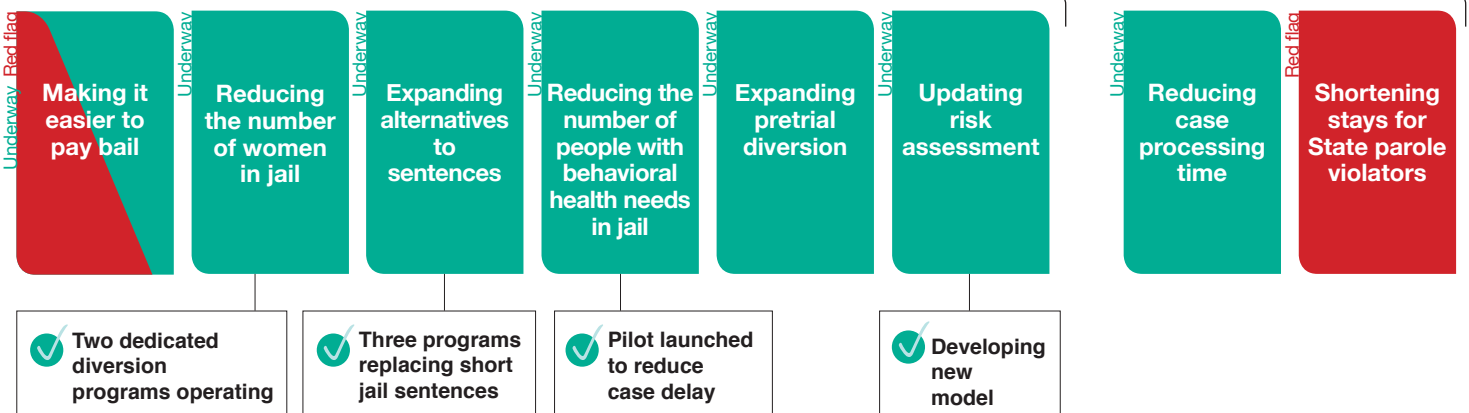
UPDATES ON THE STRATEGIES IN THE CITY’S ROADMAP TO CLOSING RIKERS ISLAND:

1 SMALLER

SAFELY REDUCING THE SIZE OF THE JAIL POPULATION

Reduce number of people who enter jail

Reduce how long they stay



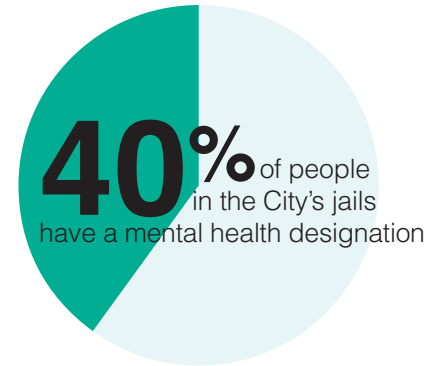
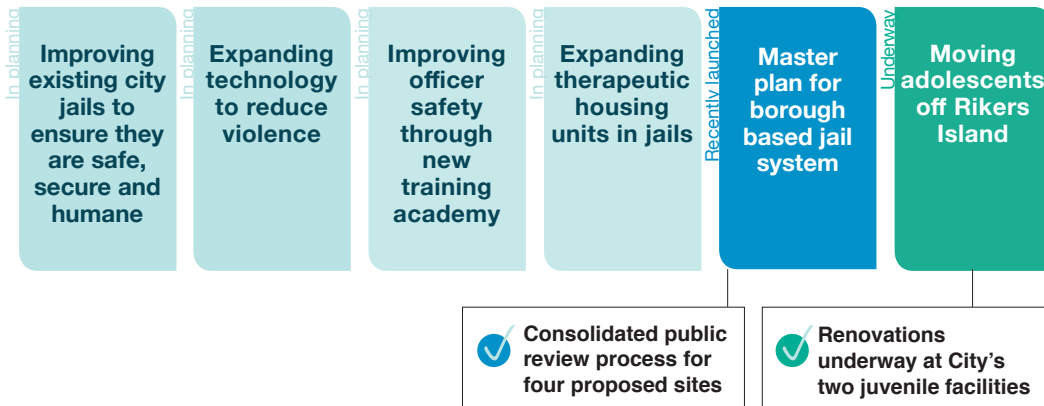
■ In planning ■ Recently launched ■ Implementation underway ■ Target met ■ Red flag

REDUCING CASE DELAY FOR PEOPLE WITH MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS

Despite marked reductions in overall length of stay, those with mental health needs still remain in jail twice as long as others, largely due to the lengthy process of conducting mental competency exams; it currently takes about 43 days for their full completion. This month, the City launched a pilot to increase the capacity of the Queens clinic responsible for competency exams. Now, all felony exams will be completed within 14 days and all misdemeanor exams within seven days. The City projects that the pilot could reduce the average daily jail population by 37 over the next five years.

2 SAFER

CREATING SAFE AND HUMANE ENVIRONMENTS

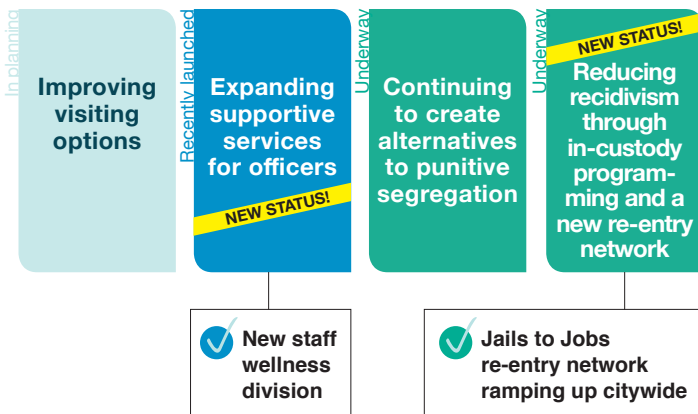


NEW THERAPEUTIC HOUSING UNIT

To better care for people with serious mental health needs in city jails, the City has committed to triple the number of dedicated intensive therapeutic housing units. In these units—known as the Clinical Alternative to Punitive Segregation (CAPS) and Program to Accelerate Clinical Effectiveness (PACE)—health and security staff train and work together to engage and stabilize patients. This month, the City expanded this nationally recognized model by opening another PACE unit in the Anna M. Kross Center, bringing the total number of units to six. This expansion will both help to ensure high quality treatment and improve safety: use of force and assaults on staff have decreased by 69% and 63% respectively in PACE units.

3 FAIRER

CHANGING THE CULTURE AND PURPOSE OF JAILS



“This is an exciting time for us as we rethink old policies and broaden the scope of our work to provide forward-thinking staff wellness strategies. We are strengthening our trauma response efforts to provide increased real-time support in times of crisis, and we have expanded our facility visits to provide additional wellness resources, referral information to our clinical staff, and Employee Assistance Program, as well as spiritual caregivers. We are continually looking at how to provide effective holistic care so that the needs of staff can be fully supported.

Chaplain Justin von Bujdoss
Executive Director of Chaplaincy and Staff Wellness

EXPANDING SUPPORT TO STAFF

To ensure that jails are a place of opportunity and support for those who work there, the City continues to expand supports for correctional officers and has invested \$39 million in professional development for staff over the last few years. This month, the Department of Correction also launched a new Staff Wellness Division devoted to expanded supportive services. Led by the Staff Chaplain, the Division will be dedicated specifically to staff wellness, spiritual care, and culture change.