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The Comanche County Sheriff's Office and Jail is over 25,000 square feet of occupied space and can house up to 144 inmates. Early in the COVID-19 pandemic, Sheriff's Office leaders started looking for "out of the box" solutions to decontaminate large areas quickly but efficiently. A solution HOCI, Hypochlorous acid, was researched after a video appeared using a DIY apparatus using a paint gun and SCBA gear. This allowed spraying large areas with a fine mist efficiently and was used in the jail, courthouse and office buildings without disturbing the occupation of the locations. This video and decontamination methods lead the Sheriff's Office to Service Wing Organic Solutions. American Recovery Act funds were dispensed to fund Service Wing installing a SWA-300 Generator that could mass produce HOCI for pennies per gallon. The product has been used in all of the County Buildings and is dispersed and offered to all the four public schools in the county.

While working in the pandemic the Jail staff encountered positive cases and with stringent quarantine, protective measures and cleaning with HOCI, there was no documented spread within the confines of the jail. Local Health Authorities praised the Jail Staff for their diligence.

This product has reduced the demand for commercial cleaning supplies in the jail to a minimum. Staff appreciates the fact that it is non-toxic and does not bleach clothing. When distributed in the jail to inmates for cleaning there this not a concern of inmates splashing and injuring staff or ingesting the product. This has been a viable solution that we will continue to use for cleaning in the jail setting.

Sincerely,

Chris Pounds

Sheriff

Comanche County