



RED ALERT

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TO TAKE ACTION:**



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ENFORCEMENT

OUR TOWN OUR FUTURE

UNDERSTANDING THE FCI BIG SPRING CLOSURE



- We have roughly 1,500 people in Big Spring tied to FCI Big Spring
- We have roughly 600 children tied to FCI Big Spring
- Out of 3,100 students at bsisd 2,300 are economically disadvantaged this could make another 12% of students become economically disadvantaged after budgets have already been made
- We have roughly 180 families of local inmates living in Howard County
- Howard County WILL loose over 600 residents if not more

THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF PRISONS ANNOUNCED PERMANENT CLOSURE OF FCI BIG SPRING BY MARCH 31, 2027

THIS ISN'T JUST ABOUT A FACILITY, IT EFFECTS ALL OF HOWARD COUNTY

OVERVIEW

IMPACTS

238 QUALITY JOBS LOST

- Federal personnel positions will be eliminated through a "RIF" Reduction in force mandate.

900+ NEIGHBORS AFFECTED

- Spouses, children, and families will feel the immediate loss of income.

617 INMATES RELOCATED

- Local federal funding tied to our population metrics will disappear.

48 YEARS OF HISTORY

- FCI Big Spring has been pillar in our community since 1979.

TIMELINE

- Fed Bureau has announced the FCI will be officially closed by March 2027, but have advised staff to look for jobs now.

MAINSTREAM

- Fewer paychecks means less daily spending at local stores and restaurants
- Less commercial investment
- Local healthcare providers will lose insured patients

CITY/COUNTY

- Loss of census funding tied to population
- Loss of annual revenue in utility uses
- Reduced property tax growth in homes that sit vacant
- Loss of local sales tax revenue

SCHOOLS

- Loss in state funding when population decreases
- More resources needed for economically disadvantaged students with less funding