



SECURITY ASSessment AT FIRST ENTRY

Brevard County Supervisor of Elections

16 June 2022

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On behalf of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), thank you for your participation in the Security Assessment At First Entry (SAFE). We appreciate the opportunity to work with you through this process to assist your organization in improving its physical and operational security.

SAFE is designed to assess the current security posture and identify options for facility owners and operators to mitigate against relevant threats. It is not intended to be an in-depth security assessment.

SAFE may be the first step toward an effective security program. In the future, it may be appropriate to conduct a more detailed assessment, particularly after additional security measures have been implemented onsite.

CISA conducted a visit on 16 June 2022, at Brevard County Supervisor of Elections. This report lists commendable actions (what the facility is doing well), vulnerabilities (what the facility could improve), and options for consideration (potential security enhancements) based on the Protective Security Advisor's (PSA's) observations and discussions with key site personnel during that visit.

Findings

Vulnerabilities and Options for Consideration

The PSA identified potential vulnerabilities and suggested options the facility may consider to reduce them. The table below lists these vulnerabilities and options for consideration.

The SAFE process and options for consideration provide an opportunity for the facility to mitigate vulnerabilities and implement protective measures. The options for consideration are not prescriptive endorsements of specific protective measures to be installed and/or used at the facility. The owner or operator determines for the facility whether the options for consideration provide the desired enhancements in light of the facility's current security posture, anticipated growth or organizational changes, budgetary outlook, etc.

The options for consideration provide actions that may help improve physical and operational security. References for the options for consideration provided below are listed at the end of the report.

Vulnerabilities and Options for Consideration

Category	Vulnerability	Option for Consideration
Building Envelope	The facility was not designed to receive the general public. The lack of a lobby style access point prevents the ability to implement physical security controls which could reduce risks to the facility.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design and implement an access point which can receive the general public. The entry point should have a secure reception area which includes security/bullet proof glass, camera monitoring, buzz-in system, panic button and a means to alert personnel of a security issue. In addition, diamond plating and/or hardened wall materials below the receipt window which would prevent bullets passing through.
Electronic Security Systems	The existing camera system does not provide adequate high definition quality camera coverage to properly investigate security matters.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upgrade the security system to high definition quality cameras which provide 360 degree coverage of the exterior perimeter, access points and high security areas within the facility.

Conclusion

This report provides a summary of key findings of the SAFE at your facility and may be used as a guide for the consideration and implementation of future security measures. Please contact your PSA, Marty J. Smith, DHS PSA, or DHS with any inquiries about the information contained in this report:

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