

OPP PRISONERS QUESTIONNAIRE

Name:



DOB:

2/11/55

charges:

mist. / Probation
tresspassing / violation

attorney/office:

NONE - Indigent

DOC no.:

La. State Pen.

1. How long were you in OPP before the hurricane? 7/25/05 - 8/31/05

2. Where were you housed:
- | | | |
|---------------------|------|-------|
| Templeman I | unit | _____ |
| Templeman II | unit | _____ |
| Templeman III | unit | _____ |
| Rendon | unit | _____ |
| Conchetta | unit | _____ |
| Community Corr. Ctr | unit | _____ |
| Old Parish Prison | unit | _____ |
| HOD | unit | _____ |
| South White Street | unit | _____ |
- Templeman IV
Unit A

3. What happened to you at the jail during the hurricane (Did your unit or cell fill with water? Did the deputies stay on their posts? Were you moved? When were you moved? Were you left in a locked cell? Did prisoners open cells? Did deputies assault/mace any prisoners? When did your building lose power? Did you have food and water? Did you have any medications you needed? Did prisoners escape? How did they escape? Were escaping prisoners shot at? Did you see any dead bodies at the jail?)

Yes my unit did fill with water which came up to chest level of my 5'5 1/2" inch frame.

ON the day of the hurricane, (Aug. 29, 05) there were Deputies present, but early into the night, there were virtually 'No' Deputies there.

Some time in the early morning hour around 2 AM after the hurricane we were moved to templeman III. (MENS UNIT)

Yes, we were in a locked cell at Temp. III which had been set afire prior to our arrival. There was 'NO' ventilation AND it was filled with smoke to such a capacity that we were coughing uncontrollably AND literally could NOT Breathe.

We were locked in cells and had no way to get out ourselves.

The building(s) lost power around dawn on the morning of the hurricane.

On the morning of hurricane Katrina (8/29/05) we had one-half of a bologna sandwich and a small portion of apple sauce. NO Water - AFTER that we had NOT eaten ANYTHING at all until Med. Night (8-31-05) when we arrived at our present destination. NO we had NO medication at all.

I witnessed the capture of a multitude of inmates (males) who had escaped for the ~~many~~ safety of their lives, who had escaped through an air conditioned vent AND broken windows.

And "Yes" they were not only shot at, but they were also kicked, beaten with clubs, and the butt of deputy assault weapons!

I did not 'see' any dead bodies for myself but I understand that there were some.

4. When/How were you evacuated out of OPP. (Were you found in a locked cell? Found after escaping? Did you turn yourself in after escaping? Did you walk out of the jail building? Did you swim or wade out in standing water? Were you escorted out by deputies? Were you taken to an overpass? How long did you stay on the overpass? Did you receive food and water? Did you receive any medications you needed?)

We were evacuated through chest high standing water which we had to walk/wade through.

We were escorted out by Deputies after 2 consecutive days of no food and water, & no medication to the Broad St. overpass.

MORNING
↑ ~~9/30/05~~ ↓

We started to evacuate on the ~~morning~~ of 8/30/05 around 11:00 AM AND had to stand in waist to chest high water for approximately 8 to 9 hours before making it to the bridge.

5. Describe the evacuation (Where were you taken? How long did you stay there? Describe conditions where you were taken (shelter, food and water, medications, assaults/disturbances)).

The evacuation: hideous to say the least... So gruesome that we had to wade through standing toxic-contaminated water filled with feces, urine and all kinds of other foreign debris for days on end that the details are actually almost impossible to fathom how one can survive it AND NOT be scarred to extremes.

I myself have had difficulty sleeping AND focusing in my daily goings.

I have been itching AND had skin irritations that required medication.

As I previously stated we were evacuated from Temp. 4 to Temp. 3 AND remained there in the closed confined quarters from 8/20/05 until 8/30/05 in suffocating conditions. We all had Black mucous coming out of our nostrils AND experienced respiratory difficulty. - AGAIN, NO FOOD, WATER, OR MED. for 3 consecutive days. AND it was impossible NOT to be panic-stricken.

OPP PRISONERS QUESTIONNAIRE

Name:

[Redacted]

DOB:

Jan. 11, 1955

charges:

Parole and Misdemeanor

attorney/office:

[Redacted]

DOC no.:

[Redacted]

Current Institution:

Basile

1. How long were you in OPP before the hurricane? May 7, 2005

2. Where were you housed:
- Templeman I unit _____
 - Templeman II unit E2
 - Templeman III unit _____
 - Rendon unit _____
 - Conchetta unit _____
 - Community Corr. Ctr unit _____
 - Old Parish Prison unit _____
 - HOD unit _____
 - South White Street unit _____

INMATE #7

3. What happened to you at the jail during the hurricane (Did your unit or cell fill with water? Did the deputies stay on their posts? Were you moved? When were you moved? Were you left in a locked cell? Did prisoners open cells? Did deputies assault/mace any prisoners? When did your building lose power? Did you have food and water? Did you have any medications you needed? Did prisoners escape? How did they escape? Were escaping prisoners shot at? Did you see any dead bodies at the jail?)

The Floors were sweathy no Food and water and air they left us to die. 3 day later 2 day after the storm yes we were LOCK in the cell to die. Yes they did assault and mace me and the inmates the day before the storm. No we didn't eat or drink for three days. I wrote to the prison and told them I have bad news and blind in one eye they never brought me to see a doctor. Yes they did escape or they would have died. That is unknown. Yes they were shot at, and inmates that wasn't trying got shot with bead bags. No I seen dead people in the water.

Thank You
God Bless

[Redacted]

4. When/How were you evacuated out of OPP. (Were you found in a locked cell? Found after escaping? Did you turn yourself in after escaping? Did you walk out of the jail building? Did you swim or wade out in standing water? Were you escorted out by deputies? Were you taken to an overpass? How long did you stay on the overpass? Did you receive food and water? Did you receive any medications you needed?)

We had to walk in water up to my chest with human waste, diesel oil, gas. Yes we were locked in the cell to die. Yes we walk out of the building to a boat. Yes I fell in the water walking thru the building, wire sand bags were placed we were lowering one by one. Yes we were taking to the over pass. No water or food. NO, they hell guns over the inmates head.

5. Describe the evacuation (Where were you taken? How long did you stay there? Describe conditions where you were taken (shelter, food and water, medications, assaults/disturbances)).

Pure Hell, Doc. Officers take me and other inmates to HUNT'S 3 nights and two days. They treated us like dogs, NO shelter, one, Bag Lunch NO showers. we slept on the naked ground RAIN, Bugs and treated us like Old Nasty Dogs. We couldnt asked them nothing, if you talked, you might get shot at, ARE CURSE out. It was Living Hell.

It wasn't HUMAN

My Parole Date was up

44 days ago, and they

still don't want to let

ME GO

Can You All Help ME

Southwest La. Correctional Center

6. Where are you housed now (incl. unit)

Basile Eagle³ #50

7. Please provide contact information for a relative/loved one, and your permanent

OPP PRISONERS QUESTIONNAIRE

Name: [REDACTED]
DOB: 4-13-1966
charges: State misdemeanor
attorney/office: State Attorney
DOC no.: [REDACTED]
Current Institution: SLCC

1. How long were you in OPP before the hurricane? 3 days
2. Where were you housed:
- | | | |
|---------------------|------|------------|
| Templeman I | unit | _____ |
| Templeman II | unit | _____ |
| Templeman III | unit | <u>A-4</u> |
| Rendon | unit | _____ |
| Conchetta | unit | _____ |
| Community Corr. Ctr | unit | _____ |
| Old Parish Prison | unit | _____ |
| HOD | unit | _____ |
| South White Street | unit | _____ |

3. What happened to you at the jail during the hurricane (Did your unit or cell fill with water? Did the deputies stay on their posts? Were you moved? When were you moved? Were you left in a locked cell? Did prisoners open cells? Did deputies assault/mace any prisoners? When did your building lose power? Did you have food and water? Did you have any medications you needed? Did prisoners escape? How did they escape? Were escaping prisoners shot at? Did you see any dead bodies at the jail?)

We were told by the deputies to go in our cells. Then they locked us in. When the water came it filled up pass my waist line before we were moved. The deputies abandoned their post (left us alone). Yes the prisoners were opening the cells. They didn't mace us in the jails but they came with rifles and guns and force us to move. On the 27th of August in the evening the building lost power. We ~~ate~~ ate breakfast that morning on the 27th of August. Then the next time we ate was Sept 1, 2005. They give us two sandwich that afternoon at the Hunt's Prison yard. No medical attention was given. Yes prisoner's escape, and yes some prisoners were shot at. They escaped from Templeman III on the roof.

When we arrived at Hunt's on the morning of Sept 1, 2005. We slept outside on the compound. That afternoon was the time we were given the two sandwiches ^{meat} fold to go on the football field. It rained for two or three hours. Men were stabbing each other fighting. Lynn Davis and ex New Orleans Police Officer and convicted ~~killer~~ killer. Was sentenced to the death penalty was on that yard plus other Federal prisoners. Guards were macing us. One man was stabbed and ran to a officer for help he was told to get back on the yard when he didn't move they shot at him then maced him. We had no toilets showers, we slept on the ground. People were also being rape.

4. When/How were you evacuated out of OPP. (Were you found in a locked cell? Found after escaping? Did you turn yourself in after escaping? Did you walk out of the jail building? Did you swim or wade out in standing water? Were you escorted out by deputies? Were you taken to an overpass? How long did you stay on the overpass? Did you receive food and water? Did you receive any medications you needed?)

The deputies evacuated us. Yes we were in locked cell, but other prisoner's help us to get out. I didn't escape. I waited ~~for~~ for the deputies to come get us out. I waded in water on the first floor waiting to get out. We were taken to the overpass and sat there from 7:30 AM til 4:30 the next morning. No food or water or medical attention was given. They give there dogs water. Not us.

OPP PRISONERS QUESTIONNAIRE

Name: [REDACTED]
 DOB: 5-20-80
 charges: Att murder
 attorney/office: Richard Tassissa
 DOC no.: [REDACTED]
 Current Institution: Orleans Parish Correctional Center

- How long were you in OPP before the hurricane? _____
- Where were you housed:

Templeman I	unit	_____
Templeman II	unit	_____
Templeman III	unit	_____
Rendon	unit	_____
Conchetta	unit	_____
Community Corr. Ctr	unit	_____
Old Parish Prison	unit	<u>B-4</u>
HOD	unit	_____
South White Street	unit	_____

INMATE #35

3. What happened to you at the jail during the hurricane (Did your unit or cell fill with water? Did the deputies stay on their posts? Were you moved? When were you moved? Were you left in a locked cell? Did prisoners open cells? Did deputies assault/mace any prisoners? When did your building lose power? Did you have food and water? Did you have any medications you needed? Did prisoners escape? How did they escape? Were escaping prisoners shot at? Did you see any dead bodies at the jail?)

Yes. No. Yes. Wednesday. Yes. No. Yes. On Saturday at 8:00 PM they cut the phones off. Our building lost power Sunday evening about 8:00 PM. No after the deputies abandoned us there were no food or water until our release, no medication were issued since Friday morning. Yes several prisoners escaped by breaking through walls and windows and jumping to freedom. Yes I heard several gun shots. No but I heard that there were several found. The conditions that I were left in were some of the stuff you only see on T.V. The stench from the waste and urine was horrendous. The five days in which I was left in total chaos with some of the most dangerous criminals in the city was one I wish never to endure again.

4. When/How were you evacuated out of OPP. (Were you found in a locked cell? Found after escaping? Did you turn yourself in after escaping? Did you walk out of the jail building? Did you swim or wade out in standing water? Were you escorted out by deputies? Were you taken to an overpass? How long did you stay on the overpass? Did you receive food and water? Did you receive any medications you needed?)

On Wed. Aug 31, 2005 I was brought to the board overpass by boat after wading through sewer water that was chest deep. The deputies that escorted us out of the prison threatened us and in some instances inmates were teased and maced which was unnecessary. Seeing as all the trauma we had just been through once we reached the bridge the adventure really began we were still denied food, water and

Medical treatment the latter being truly harsh since we all were suffering from dehydration on the bridge. We were forced to lay in the sun and continuously seek relief in the hurricane contaminated waters. Then we were loaded on buses and taken to Eldon Hunt Correctional where the devastating treatment was on. While at hunts there were several incidents of stabbings, beatings and on one occasion a fellow inmate was shot by prison guards while only seeking help from his many wounds. Also we were forced to sleep in the rain for two (2) days without proper food and water attention to personal hygiene was still not addressed. To this day I still don't feel clean. I've never been this embarrassed to admit this in my life, but the story needed to be told.

5. Describe the evacuation (Where were you taken? How long did you stay there? Describe conditions where you were taken (shelter, food and water, medications, assaults/disturbances)).

After leaving hunts we were taken to Oac where a man of my age that has seen what I've seen in the time I've been here, and in total shock! the racism segregation lack of personal hygiene and outright hatred that I, and my fellow inmates receive on a daily basis is only something a prisoner of war experiences the threat of violence and mistreatment is always over our heads. after the things I've seen and been through Katrina and its aftermath will linger in my mind for all the days of my life.

before Katrina hit New Orleans there was a broke out in the whole Orleans Parish Jail there were a few peoples that was incarcerated that died of T.B and the whole Jail system was expose to the disease call T.B. which at the time we was being giving the medication, but when Katrina hit everything was put on hold. but as we got here at Ouachita Parish Correctional we advise the medical staff that some of us was expose to T.b and the medical staff here at Ouachita parish Correctional Center Tested us for T.b. But nothing further happen, so as of this day we are not taking no medication for T.b. and I know that I was expose to it and I should be taking the medication right now. And by me being tested and I was tested positive for Tuberculosis, and I'm not getting any medication for this disease I being denied of medical treatment.

On Sunday morning August 28, 2005 the hurricane hit B4 Tier had a big whole in its ceiling and there was contaminated water coming down on us at all time and there was no deputies on the tier to get us off until Wednesday the day then the deputies came back to evacuate us out of the old parish prison

OPP PRISONERS QUESTIONNAIRE

Name: _____

DOB: 3-2-80

charges: Att. Dis. 2 bags Marijuana

attorney/office: _____

DOC no.: _____

Current Institution: Ouachita Parish Correctional Center

1. How long were you in OPP before the hurricane? 13 months

2. Where were you housed:

Templeman I	unit	_____
<u>Templeman II</u>	unit	<u>F-12</u>
Templeman III	unit	_____
Rendon	unit	_____
Conchetta	unit	_____
Community Corr. Ctr	unit	_____
Old Parish Prison	unit	_____
HOD	unit	_____
South White Street	unit	_____

3. What happened to you at the jail during the hurricane (Did your unit or cell fill with water? Did the deputies stay on their posts? Were you moved? When were you moved? Were you left in a locked cell? Did prisoners open cells? Did deputies assault/mace any prisoners? When did your building lose power? Did you have food and water? Did you have any medications you needed? Did prisoners escape? How did they escape? Were escaping prisoners shot at? Did you see any dead bodies at the jail?)

No, our cell didn't fill and we had nothing to survive with. Yes our deputies left for hours at a time! No one wasn't moved. We were moved that Tues. after the hurricane. Temple II, F-12. No, no one couldn't open anything. Yes they were very unhelpful to the inmates. Yes we lost all power. No we didn't eat anything for about 3 days. No, no medication was issued out at any time. Yes some people escaped. I don't know how. Yes we seen a few dead bodies and we were told not to say anything or we were going to be like them.

4. When/How were you evacuated out of OPP. (Were you found in a locked cell? Found after escaping? Did you turn yourself in after escaping? Did you walk out of the jail building? Did you swim or wade out in standing water? Were you escorted out by deputies? Were you taken to an overpass? How long did you stay on the overpass? Did you receive food and water? Did you receive any medications you needed?)

We were evacuated very unfair, we locked in our cells. They are worked out the building, the water was very high. Some people were out and some had to wade out. The car finally, the deputies was on the bridge and outside the car. We were brought to an overpass. We stayed on the overpass 2 days without food or water.

5. Describe the evacuation (Where were you taken? How long did you stay there? Describe conditions where you were taken (shelter, food and water, medications, assaults/disturbances)).

Yes once we were out of the jail we were waiting on the overpass to enter into buses, after we were loaded on buses we went to hotels. We had to sleep outside, we ate and had water but it was very uncomfortable. Yes, there were some assaults.

OPP PRISONERS QUESTIONNAIRE

Name:

[REDACTED]

DOB:

JUNE 15, 1973

charges:

ARMED ROBBERY

attorney/office:

[REDACTED]

DOC no.:

[REDACTED]

Current Institution:

SABINE PARISH DETENTION CENTER

1. How long were you in OPP before the hurricane? 11 months

2. Where were you housed:

- Templeman I unit _____
- Templeman II unit _____
- Templeman III \longleftrightarrow unit F1
- Rendon unit _____
- Conchetta unit _____
- Community Corr.Ctr unit _____
- Old Parish Prison unit _____
- HOD unit _____
- South White Street unit _____

INMATE #64

3. What happened to you at the jail during the hurricane (Did your unit or cell fill with water? Did the deputies stay on their posts? Were you moved? When were you moved? Were you left in a locked cell? Did prisoners open cells? Did deputies assault/mace any prisoners? When did your building lose power? Did you have food and water? Did you have any medications you needed? Did prisoners escape? How did they escape? Were escaping prisoners shot at? Did you see any dead bodies at the jail?)

I WAS HOUSED IN THE TEMPLEMAN III BUILDING BEFORE AND DURING THE STORM.
 YES, THE UNIT AND MY CELL DID FILL WITH WATER.
 THE DEPUTIES DID NOT STAY ON THEIR POSTS. WE WERE LEFT WITHOUT SUPERVISION FOR SEVERAL DAYS!
 EVERY INMATE IN TEMPLEMAN III BUILDING - F1 WAS MOVED UPSTAIRS TO H-1. WE WERE MOVED MONDAY EVENING AUG 29, 05 AT OR ABOUT 6 PM. I WAS NOT LOCKED IN A CELL BECAUSE EVERY INMATE IN F-1 REFUSED TO LOCK DOWN IN FEAR OF DROWNING IN A LOCKED CELL. OUR BUILDING LOST POWER SATURDAY NIGHT/EARLY SUNDAY MORNING, AUG 28TH. THE DATES

MAY BE A LITTLE OFF BECAUSE I DONT HAVE A CALENDAR, BUT THE DAYS ARE CORRECT.

WHILE UPSTAIRS IN H-1 PRISONERS TRIED TO OPEN CELLS BUT COULD NOT. THE DEPUTIES WERE NOT THERE SO THEY COULDN'T ASSAULT OR MACE ANY PRISONERS. THE LAST MEAL WE RECEIVED WAS ON MONDAY AUG 28TH AM MEAL. THE WATER WAS OFF AT THIS POINT, SO WE HAD NO USE OF TOILETS OR DRINKING WATER AS OF ~~MON~~ MON, AUG 29TH NO MEDICAL STAFF WAS AVAILABLE NOR WERE THEY SEEN. NO MEDICATION WAS GIVEN DUE TO THIS FACT. I AM ASTHMATIC, AND I DID NOT HAVE MY MEDICATION. DURING THE MOVE FROM F-1 TO H-1, SOME INMATES WERE SHOT AT BY S.I.D OFFICERS. THEY USED BEANBAG SHOTGUNS. SOME INMATES WERE STRUCK IN THE FACIAL AREA BY S.I.D OFFICERS AS WELL. I WAS HIT IN THE RIB AREA (3) THREE TIMES AS WELL. THIS OCCURED DURING THE MOVE FROM F-1 TO H-1.

SOME PRISONERS DID ESCAPE, HOW THEY GOT OUT I AM UNAWARE OF. I COULD SEE THEM RUNNING THROUGH THE WATER FROM THE WINDOWS UPSTAIRS. SHOTS WERE FIRED, I ALSO SAW OFFICERS IN THE WATER WITH THEIR GUNS DRAWN, BUT I DONT KNOW IF ANYONE WAS HIT BY THESE SHOTS. I WAS TOLD THAT THERE WERE DEAD BODIES AT THE JAIL, BUT I DID NOT SEE THIS WITH MY OWN EYES.

WE WERE IN THE TEMPLEMAN III BUILDING WITHOUT POWER, FOOD, OR WATER FOR AT LEAST (3) THREE DAYS. IT WAS TOTAL CHAOS INSIDE THE BUILDING. EVERYONE THAT WAS NOT LOCKED IN A CELL SEARCHED THE DARK BUILDING FOR FOOD. WE HAD TO SET FIRES JUST TO BE ABLE TO SEE. THE BUILDING HAD NO AIR SO WINDOWS WERE BROKEN OUT FOR VENTILATION. (STILL NO STAFF).

WE TRIED TO GET THE ATTENTION OF PEOPLE OUTSIDE BY WAVING SHEETS OUTSIDE THE WINDOW, BUT STAFF MEMBERS JUST LOOKED AND DID NOTHING.

4. When/How were you evacuated out of OPP. (Were you found in a locked cell? Found after escaping? Did you turn yourself in after escaping? Did you walk out of the jail building? Did you swim or wade out in standing water? Were you escorted out by deputies? Were you taken to an overpass? How long did you stay on the overpass? Did you receive food and water? Did you receive any medications you needed?)

SOME OF US WERE MOVED OUT OF THE BUILDING ON WED, AUG 31ST AT ABOUT 11 P.M. GIVE OR TAKE A FEW HOURS DUE TO LACK OF COMMUNICATION AND DEPUTY FAILURE. I MYSELF AND ABOUT (30) INMATES WERE NOT LOCKED IN CELLS BUT (40) WERE LEFT BEHIND BECAUSE THEY WERE IN FACT LOCKED IN CELLS. WE WALKED OUT OF THE BUILDING BY

OFFICER ESCORT. BEFORE WE COULD REACH GROUND LEVEL,
COMING DOWN THE STAIRS WE ENTERED THE WATER. I
CANT SWIM, SO THIS WAS A VERY FRIGHTENING EXPERIENCE
FOR ME. WHEN WE REACHED GROUND LEVEL THE WATER WAS
ALMOST UP TO MY NECK I'M 6 FEET 1". WE WALKED THROUGH
THE WATER INSIDE THE DARK BUILDING UNTIL WE REACHED THE
DOORS. WHILE OUTSIDE WE WALKED SLOWLY THROUGH THE
WATER UNTIL WE REACHED (CENTRAL LOCKUP). ONCE THERE WE
WERE PUT ON BOATS AND TAKEN TO THE BROAD STREET
OVERPASS. I MYSELF SAT ON THE OVERPASS FOR ABOUT (22)
HOURS, STILL WITH NO FOOD OR WATER, OR MEDICAL ATTENTION.
THE HEAT WAS TOO MUCH TO HANDLE BEING HUNGRY AND
THIRSTY AFTER (3) THREE DAYS SO A LOT OF PEOPLE PASSED OUT.
THE GUARDS ON THE BRIDGE DIDNT MAKE IT ANY BETTER.
THEY SHOT AT US WITH BEANBAG SHOTGUNS, AND PEPPER SPRAYED
US AT RANDOM. THEY STOCKPILED WATER IN PLAIN SIGHT AND
REFUSED TO GIVE US ANY. INSTEAD THEY TEASED US AND GAVE
THE DOGS WATER. I SAW ONE GUY GET SHOT IN THE FOREHEAD
WITH A BEANBAG SHOTGUN JUST FOR STANDING UP. I SAW AN
OLD MAN GET ATTACKED WITH DOGS FOR BEING TOO WEAK
TO MOVE. SOME PEOPLE WERE SO THIRSTY THEY DRANK
FLOOD WATER. I MYSELF WAS MACE (3) THREE TIMES
FOR NO REASON AT ALL. STILL NO MEDICATION WAS GIVEN OUT.
AFTER (22) HOURS OF THIS I WAS MOVED FURTHER DOWN THE
OVERPASS AND TOLD TO CLIMB DOWN A (50) FOOT SCAFFOLD.
WHEN I REACHED THE BOTTOM I WAS LED TO THE
WESTBOUND LANE OF THE INTERSTATE, CUFFED TO ANOTHER
INMATE AND GIVEN ONE BOTTLE OF WATER AND TWO PEANUT-
BUTER SANDWICHES. WE WERE TOLD TO SIT ON THE GROUND
FOR HOURS AND WAIT ON BUSES.

5. Describe the evacuation (Where were you taken? How long did you stay there? Describe conditions where you were taken (shelter, food and water, medications, assaults/disturbances)).

WE WERE THEN PUT ON BUSES AND TAKEN TO HUNT CORRECTIONAL FACILITY.

ONCE AT HUNT, WE WERE GIVEN A BLANKET AND A PLACE TO SLEEP, RIGHT ON THE WET GRASS, OUTSIDE!!! WE SLEPT THERE FOR THE NIGHT AND GOT MOVED TO A SMALLER YARD WITH MORE PEOPLE. WE SAT OUT IN THE RAIN FOR AT LEAST (2) TWO HOURS BEFORE IT STOPPED. WE WERE THEN PUT ON A BUS AND MOVED TO THE OTHER SIDE OF THE FACILITY, THE BIG YARD.

WE WERE LEFT ON THE YARD, TO SLEEP ON THE GRASS WITH NO USE OF RESTROOMS AT ALL. WE SLEPT ON GRASS THAT SMELLED OF URINE AND THERE WAS HUMAN FEICES EVERYWHERE. EVERYWHERE YOU LOOKED THERE WERE FIGHTS, PEOPLE GETTING STABBED, PEOPLE GETTING RAPED ALSO, EVERYBODY WAS MIXED TOGETHER. MURDERERS, RAPISTS, EVEN A DEATH ROW INMATE (██████████) WERE ALLOWED TO WALK FREELY AMONG PEOPLE WHO WERE ONLY IN JAIL FOR TRAFFIC TICKETS OR DISTURBING THE PEACE. WHEN THEY DID COME

With food, they threw it to us from scaffolds like they were at Mardi Gras. Two peanut butter sandwiches in a brown paper bag was all some people got. Others got nothing!! They were robbed of their food by other inmates. Weapons were plentiful on this yard. We lived like this for (3) three days. No medical attention was in sight. I got bitten by a spider while on this yard, on my face and on my hip!

finally we were moved to another facility where I received medical attention.

All of this could have been prevented.

The mayor called for a mandatory evacuation for all of Orleans Parish residents, at which time Orleans Parish Criminal Sheriff M. Gussman stated "All of my prisoners are going to stay right where they belong!"

thus putting thousands of lives in jeopardy. This was handled in a very unprofessional manner, and something should be done about it!

