



Jefferson County Jail To Reopen

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A portion of the jail, closed for over a year, could reopen as early as Monday.

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STEUBENVILLE, Ohio -- Jefferson County Commissioners have agreed to give Sheriff Fred Abdalla the money he needs to bring back eight additional jailers, enough to reopen a portion of the jail.

Sheriff Abdalla said he hopes to have that portion of the jail reopened for business as early as Monday if not before.

"This will allow me to bring back eight jailers and house an additional 35 prisoners." said Abdalla. He continued by saying, "The revolving door will be shut and those thumbing their nose at our justice system will be locked up."

The announcement comes one day after Wells Township Police Chief John Ingram became furious after several people he arrested were set free because of overcrowding at the jail.

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