5-06/020.05 Confiscated Money

Any money found in the possession of an inmate is considered contraband and shall be confiscated and deposited into the inmate's account or "held" as evidence. An Inmate Discipline Report or a Complaint Report shall be prepared whenever an inmate is found with money.

A cashier's receipt shall be issued for monies deposited to an inmate's account. This does not apply to money held as evidence, nor does it affect the imposition of discipline for possession of money. Confiscated money deposited to an inmate's account may be designated "Hold Until Inmate Released." The facility watch commander must authorize the release of funds from "hold" status.

If an investigation indicates that the money was obtained by criminal means, the money shall be "held" as evidence, properly identified, and placed in the watch commander's safe pursuant to the Department Manual of Policy and Procedures, section 5-04/090.20, "'Hold' Currency" and section 5-04/090.40, "'Deposit' Money." Pending the final outcome of the investigation, the "hold" will be released by the facility watch commander, allowing the money to be deposited into the inmate's account.

If no inmate claims found money, it shall be booked as found property and a complaint report shall be written.