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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

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Report Date:	5/4/2017 3:23 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Nueces County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	PO BOX 1940
Agency City:	Corpus Christi	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78403		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Jim
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Kaelin		
Reporter Name:	abel carreon	Reporter Email:	abel.carreon@nuecescountytx.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Gabriel

Middle Name:

Last Name: Murrieta

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 2/27/1974 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 43

Date/Time of Custody (arrest, incarceration) (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 4/14/2017 10:44 AM

Date/Time of Death (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Death Date and Time: 4/20/2017 12:14 AM

Manner / Cause of Death

Has a medical examiner or coroner conducted an evaluation to determine a cause of death?

Medical Examiner/Coroner Evaluation?: Yes, results pending

What was the manner of death? (select only one)

Manner of Death: Natural

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Unknown at this time. Pending results of histology, toxicology, and chemistry.

Had the decedent been receiving treatment for the medical condition that caused the death after admission to your jail's jurisdiction?

Medical Treatment:	Not Applicable

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, who caused the death?

Who caused the death?:	Not applicable

If a weapon caused the death, what type of weapon caused the death? (Hold CTRL to select all that apply)

Type of weapon that caused death?:	Not Applicable

Was the cause of death the result of a pre-existing medical condition or did the decedent develop the condition after admission?

Pre existing medical condition?:	Could not be determined

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, what was the means of death?

Means of Death:	Not applicable, cause of death was illness/natural cause

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	901 Leopard St.	City:	Corpus Christi
County:	Nueces	Zip:	78401

What location category best describes where the event causing the death occurred?

Location Category:	Law Enforcement Facility

What type of custody/facility was the Decedent in at the time of death:

Type of Custody:	County Jail

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:
Jail - holding cell

What was the time and date of the deceased's entry into the law enforcement facility where the death occurred (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Entry Date Time:	4/14/2017 10:44 AM

Where did the death occur?

Death Location:	Medical facility

General Information

Did any other law enforcement agencies respond to calls for service related to this incident?

Other Agencies Respond?:	No

What were the most serious offense(s) with which the deceased was (or would have been) charged with at the time of death?

Offense 1:

Attempt To Take Weapon From An Officer

Offense 2:

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: Not filed at time of death

What were the types of charges or reason for contact? (Hold CTRL to select all that apply)

Type of Offense: Alcohol / drug offense

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent display or use a weapon?

Decedent display/use of weapons: No

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Attempt to Injure Others?: No

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Appear intoxicated (alcohol or drugs): No

Make suicidal statements?: No

Exhibit any mental health problems?: No

Exhibit any medical problems?: No

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Barricade self or initiate standoff?:	No	Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	No
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	No	Gain possession of officer's weapon:	No
Verbally threaten other(s) including law:	No	Escape or attempt to escape/flee custody:	No
Attempt gain possession officer's weapon:	No		

Was the deceased under restraint in the time leading up to the death or the events causing the death?

Under Restraint:	No

Summary of Incident

Summary of How the Death Occurred: (max. 30,000 characters)

Summary:

On April 19, 2017, at approximately 2048 hours, an officer arrived at Holding Cell #6 to transfer Inmate Gabriel Murrieta to a housing unit. Inmate Murrieta informed the officer that he could not walk. The officer then left the cell and returned with another officer and a wheelchair. The officers assisted Inmate Murrieta into the wheelchair and escorted him to the Intake Medical Area. A nurse examined Inmate Murrieta and discovered that his body temperature was low. The nurse then contacted the Jail Physician who informed her to give the inmate a blanket and monitor his body temperature. Inmate Murrieta was then issued a blanket and was placed in a wheelchair on the Booking Floor in close proximity to the nurse's station. At approximately 2204 hours, the nurse along with two officers checked on Inmate Murrieta. At approximately 2220 hours, an incident occurred elsewhere in the jail and Inmate Murrieta was secured in a holding cell for the duration of that incident. At approximately 2315 hours, an officer retrieved Inmate Murrieta from the holding cell and returned him to the Intake Medical Area for evaluation. At approximately 2327 hours, the nurse examined Inmate Murrieta and was unable to find a pulse. Inmate Murrieta was placed on the floor, and three nurses along with the use of an AED began cardio-pulmonary resuscitation. The Emergency Medical Services was immediately contacted and arrived at the facility at approximately 2337 hours and began administering aid. The Emergency Medical Services departed the facility with Inmate Murrieta at approximately 2345 hours. At approximately 0014 hours on April 20, 2017, Inmate Murrieta was pronounced deceased by Christus Spohn Shoreline Emergency Room staff.