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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

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Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Texas Juvenile Justice Department Office of Inspector General	Agency Address:	PO Box 12757
Agency City:	Austin	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78711		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Director	Director First Name:	Forrest
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Mitchell		
Reporter Name:	Tia Garrett	Reporter Email:	tia@rrjjc.com

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Nacaya

Middle Name: Deoncay

Last Name: Matthews

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 2/2/2002

Sex: Female

Race: Black or African American

Age At Time Of Death: 15

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 5/26/2017 9:53 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 8/12/2017 6:24 PM

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 are available

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

Manner of Death: Suicide

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Suicide by hanging

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?: Decedent

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?: Not Applicable; cause of death was accidental injury, intoxication, suicide or homicide

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

Means of Death: Hanging, strangulation

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 696 N. FM 487
City: Rockdale
County: Milam
Zip: 76567

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

Location Category: Other, specify

Other Location Category:

Juvenile Correctional Facility

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

Type of Custody: Private Facility

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

Texas-Juvenile Justice Department - Facility/Detention Center, specify

Facility/Detention Center:

Secure-Residential

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: 5/26/2017 9:53 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?: Yes

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:

Assault Causing Bodily Injury (MA)

Offense 2:

Theft of Property $1500<$20k ENH (a) (FS)

Offense 3:

Robbery (F2)

Were the Charges:: Filed

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

Type of Offense: Other, specify

Type of Offense, Other:

Adjudicated to placement

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:

Yes (select all that

Attempt to Injure Others?:	apply)
Ways Decedent Attempted To Injure Others:	Attempted to injure civilian(s) or other inmate(s)

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?:	Yes
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	Yes	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:	Yes	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 August 12, 2017 at approximately 1630, resident Nacaya Matthews was placed into her room following an altercation she initiated with a peer. According to video surveillance, juvenile supervision officers enter Ms. Matthews' room at approximately 1634 to conduct a room search. Officers exit Ms. Matthews' room (D2), at 1636, leaving Ms. Matthews alone inside of her room. At approximately 1701, a female resident is in the dayroom talking to resident Matthews from outside the door and passes what appears to be a piece of tissue under the door to resident Matthews. At approximately 1712, a visual observation check is conducted on Ms.

Matthews by the JSO. The JSO talked to Ms. Matthews from approximately 1712-1713, but according to the JSO, she did not have a full view of resident Matthews because she (Matthews), placed a piece of toilet paper over her window obstructing the officer's view into the room. At approximately 1732, the JSO conducts another visual observation check. The toilet paper is still on the window. The JSO calls for assistance because resident Matthews did not respond to her verbal request to remove the toilet paper from the window. Another JSO arrives in delta unit at approximately 1735 and proceeds to open the door where she finds Nacaya Matthews hanging from the vent inside of her room. Resident Nacaya Matthews was non-responsive. RRJJC staff called medical emergency and held Ms. Matthews up while assisting RRJJC staff cut her down and immediately started life saving measures until EMS arrived and transported her to the local hospital where she was pronounced dead by the local JP. The Milam County Sheriff's Department, Texas Rangers, and TJJD AID, were all notified and are currently investigating this incident.