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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

**CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT**

# Agency Information

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| CDR Number: | 19-346-UF | Version Type: | ORIGINAL VERSION |
| Report Date: | 4/11/2019 6:51 PM | Status: | Submitted |

## Agency/Facility Information

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| Agency Name: | Bexar County Sheriff's Office | Agency Address: | 200 N. Comal |
| Agency City: | San Antonio | Agency State: | TX |
| Agency Zip: | 78207 | | |

## Director Information

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| Director Salutation: | Sheriff | Director First Name: | Javier |
| Director Middle Name: | | | |
| Director Last Name: | Salazar | | |
| Reporter Name: | John Mahon | Reporter Email: | jmahon@bexar.org |

# Decedent Information

### Identity of Deceased

First Name: Esther

Middle Name: Jane

Last Name: Wood

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 2/5/1994 Sex: Female

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 25

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 4/10/2019 12:33 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 4/10/2019 1:21 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:

Gunshot wound of the head

## 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?: Handgun

## 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: Firearm

# Location / Custody Information

### Where did the event causing the death occur?

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| Street Address: | 6802 Congressional Blvd | City: | San Antonio |
| County: | Bexar | Zip: | 78244 |

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

Location Category: Residence/Home

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

Type of Custody: Pre-Custodial Use of Force

### Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

N/A

### 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:

Entry Date Time N/A: ☑

### Where did the death occur?

Death Location: Scene of incident

## 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:

Terroristic Threat - Public Servant

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: Medical / Mental Health assistance call

## 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: Yes, mark all that apply

Decedent Display or Use Weapon Details: Discharged firearm

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

Attempt to Injure Others?: Unknown

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

Appear intoxicated (alcohol or drugs): Unknown

Make suicidal statements?: Yes

Exhibit any mental health

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| problems?: | Yes | Exhibit any medical problems?: | Unknown |

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

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

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| Under Restraint: | No |

## Summary of Incident

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

Summary:

It is my understanding, and in gist, Esther Wood contacted BCSO dispatch and advised she wanted to kill herself and was in possession of a weapon. Esther Wood further advised she lives with three roommates. Responding Deputies heard one gunshot while approaching the front of the residence. Deputies forced entry into the home through the front door and saw a female cross the hallway area into the living room where they were unable to maintain a visual on the female. A Deputy advised he called out to the female and asked her to talk to him and to tell him her name; the Deputy stated the female replied, “Don’t come any closer or I’ll shoot, my name is Esther”. All Deputies were ordered to exit the residence; they retreated out of the home and secured a perimeter around the home. Deputies heard a second gunshot after they retreated out of the residence. Esther Wood was found later inside the residence with a gunshot wound to the head. An ambulance made the location and transported Esther Wood to the San Antonio Medical Center--Esther Wood was pronounced deceased at 1321 hours.. Esther Wood was subsequently transported to the Bexar County Medical Examiner's Office for autopsy. I was informed the cause of death has been ruled a gunshot wound to the head and the manner of death was ruled a suicide.