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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	19-679-UF	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	7/14/2019 12:32 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Dallas Police Dept.	Agency Address:	1400 S. Lamar Street
Agency City:	Dallas	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	75215		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Ulisha
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Hall		
Reporter Name:	Sim Woodham	Reporter Email:	sim.woodham@dpd.ci.dallas.tx.us

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Dijon

Middle Name:

Last Name: Watkins

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 7/24/1988 Sex: Male

Race: Black or African American

Age At Time Of Death: 30

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 7/13/2019 2:00 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 7/13/2019 2:00 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 pending

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

Homicide (includes

Manner of Death:	Justifiable Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Pending Autopsy

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

Medical Treatment:	No

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

Who caused the death?:	Law enforcement/correctional personnel

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; Rifle/shotgun

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?

Street Address: 5000 Cranfill Drive
City: Dallas
County: Dallas
Zip: 75241

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

Location Category: Roadway/highway/street/sidewalk

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:

Aggravated Assault using a deadly weapon

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:	Violent Crime Against Persons

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?:	Yes (select all that apply)

Ways Decedent Attempted To Injure Others:	Attempted to injure law enforcement personnel; Injured 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):	Unknown	Make suicidal statements?:	No
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	Unknown	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?:	Yes	Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	Yes
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	Yes	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 7/13/2019, at approximately 2:46pm, officers were dispatched to 3400 Great Trinity Forest Way regarding a male who was shot. On arrival officers observed DFR providing medical treatment to a male complainant and a witness stated the subject responsible was down the street hiding behind a trashcan with a gun. Officers canvassed the area and located the subject at the 5000 block of Cranfill Drive. Officers believed the subject was armed and took cover behind squad cars and gave the subject verbal commands to surrender.

The subject reacted negatively to the officer's commands and discharged a handgun multiple times in the direction of officers. Officers returned fire striking the subject. Officers waited for a ballistic shield and while using a vehicle advanced to the subject. Officers were able to handcuff the subject and called in DFR who transported the subject to Baylor hospital where he expired from his injuries.

SIU, the body camera and dvr team, the DA's office and PES responded to the scene. A handgun was recovered at the scene belonging to the subject. Body worn camera video, dash camera video, and air one video was collected and is being reviewed. A LEICA scan of the scene is being produced by PES.

SIU Detectives requested a walk-through, a statement, and a blood specimen from the involved officers which was declined through their attorney. Their attorney did schedule a time for the involved officers to report to SIU to provide a statement on Tuesday, July 16th. Witness officers provided a walk through and reported to SIU and provided a written statement from the scene.

The original complainant was shot in the neck by subject and transported to Baylor Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Next of kin notification was made by Detective Billings at SIU to the subjects' mother.