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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

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Report Date:	6/22/2020 5:07 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Fort Worth Police Dept.	Agency Address:	1000 Calvert Street
Agency City:	Fort Worth	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	76107		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Edwin
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Kraus		
Reporter Name:	Amelia Heise	Reporter Email:	amelia.heise@fortworthtexas.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Markevvion

Middle Name: Devonte

Last Name: Cannon

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 4/1/2000 Sex: Male

Race: Black or African American

Age At Time Of Death: 19

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 7/18/2019 11:27 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 7/18/2019 1:09 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: Homicide (includes Justifiable Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Gunshot wound of head

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

Medical Treatment: Yes

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

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:	2900 Broadmoor Drive #1305	City:	Fort Worth
County:	Tarrant	Zip:	76116

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:

Custody of Law Enforcement Personnel during/fleeing arrest

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: 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:

Aggravated Kidnapping-Using Hostage as shield

Offense 2:

Aggravated Assault Deadly Weapon-Peace Officer

Offense 3:

Aggravated Assault Deadly Weapon

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:	Displayed firearm without discharge; 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)
	Attempted to injure law enforcement

Ways Decedent Attempted To Injure Others:	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):	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?:	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 July 17, 2019, The Fort Worth Police Department responded to a person with a weapon call at 2900 Broadmoor Drive, Apartment 1305. Markevvion Cannon was holding multiple people hostage (his child's mother; her 3 siblings ages 19, 15, and 12; her 20 year old female friend; and their 1 year old son), and he was armed with a gun. As Officers arrived on scene, Markevvion's child's mother, who was holding their son, and her 20 year old friend ran out of the apartment; leaving the 19, 15, and 12 year old hostages inside. As officers were trying to get Markevvion to come out of the apartment, Markevvion began firing multiple officers as they stood at the apartment door and the officers in the parking lot. The officers standing at the door saw that Markevvion was using two of the hostages to shield himself from the officers as he fired upon them. FWPD SWAT team members arrived and conducted a hostage rescue. When the SWAT officers entered the

apartment, Markevvion was in a walk-in closet with the 15 and 12 year old hostages positioned directly in front of him, and the 19 year old hostage was also in the closet. When SWAT Officer A. Aleshire, ID 3934 entered the closet, Markevvion pointed his handgun at Officer Aleshire. Officer Aleshire believed he was in imminent danger of serious bodily injury or death. He moved forward and grabbed Markevvion's handgun to point it away from himself and towards the ceiling. Markevvion struggled against Officer Aleshire to keep the gun pointed at the Officer. During this struggle, Officer Aleshire moved so that his duty handgun was past the hostages and then he fired his handgun at Markevvion, striking him in the head.

Markevvion was taken to a MedStar Ambulance for medical treatment and transportation to John Peter Smith Hospital where he was later pronounced deceased.