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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	20-1953-CJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	1/26/2022 2:42 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	San Patricio County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	PO BOX 1382
Agency City:	Sinton	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78387		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Oscar
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Rivera		
Reporter Name:	STEVEN LOVING	Reporter Email:	sp.608@co.san-patricio.tx.us

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Andrew

Middle Name: Guy

Last Name: Pond

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 11/26/1967 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 52

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 9/21/2020 9:13 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 9/29/2020 10:45 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:

Hanging; Complete Report from Nueces County Medical Examiners Office.

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

Medical Treatment: Unknown

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:	300 N Rachal	City:	Sinton
County:	San Patricio	Zip:	78387

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 - single 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:	9/21/2020 9:13 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:

Driving While Intoxicated

Offense 2:

N/A

Offense 3:

N/A

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): Unknown

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

Resist being handcuffed or

standoff?:	No	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 09-21-2020 Inmate Andrew Guy Pond (DOB: 11-26-1967) was remanded to San Patricio County Jail for the offense of Driving While Intoxicated. Andrew Guy Pond was arrested on 09-20-2020 in the City of Portland Texas by Portland Police Department Officer. Andrew Guy Pond was magistrated on 09-22-2020 with a bond of $1500.00. Andrew Guy Pond was involved into three physical altercations between inmates while in custody; resulting in his housing being moved to different cell areas. Andrew Guy Pond was held in four separate cell areas while in the San Patricio County Jail. The last cell area where Andrew Guy Pond was housed and location of the incident was cell EE1. The cell area is two individual cell sleeping areas with a common room. The individual cell areas have the ability to be secured from the common room; and were secured at the time of the incident. On 09-27-2020 at approximately 03:50 am Andrew Guy Pond was located during a scheduled cell check by Corrections Officer Ray Navarro. It was reported that Andrew Guy Pond was found within his individual cell area with the door secured. Andrew Guy Pond was found to have a blue in color cloth blanket tied about his neck and the other end of the blanket secured to the upper bars of the cell door. Andrew Guy Pond was in what was described as a seated position on the floor. The individual cell doors were opened and the inmate in the adjoining cell assisted the Corrections Officer in removing the blanket at the neck of Andrew Guy Pond. Corrections Officer Ray Navarro then began administering CPR to Andrew Guy Pond and calling for further assistance. Allegiance Emergency Medical Service was also requested to respond to the San Patricio County Jail. Upon their arrival they assumed control of medical treatment of Andrew Guy Pond. It was reported that Andrew Guy Pond was transported to Northwest Regional Hospital in Corpus Christi Texas and the transferred to Doctors Regional Hospital in Corpus Christi Texas; for more advanced care. The original booking/screening information for Andrew Guy Pond was that he declared a mental health condition of PTSD, alcohol abuse and detoxicing from alcohol, health issues were only identified as hypertension and diabetes. It was also noted on the intake documentations that Andrew Guy Pond had declared he was very concerned about losing his wife and vehicle. Interviews of the inmates in the adjoining cells informed investigators that Andrew Guy Pond was agitated the night prior to him being found unresponsive. His conduct was described as he was yelling and banging on the bars. Texas Ranger Samuel Cody Lankford was contacted to respond to conduct a third party investigation of the custodial death of Andrew Guy Pond and had responded to the incident location on 09-27-2020. A search to identify a next of kin was conducted and the youngest of two children was located and identified as Cory Raymond Pond (DOB:09/24/1990) was contacted. Cory Raymond Pond came to Doctors Regional Hospital and after Andrew Guy Pond’s bond was reduced to a Public Recognizance Bond he was released from custody and Cory Raymond Pond assumed responsibility for the medical decisions for Andrew Guy Pond. On 09-29-2020

Doctors Regional Hospital contacted me and notified me that Andrew Guy Pond was declared deceased at 10:45 PM.