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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	20-623-UF	Version Type:	AMENDED
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Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Giddings Police Dept.	Agency Address:	179 E. Industry St.
Agency City:	Giddings	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78942		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Haril
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Walpole		
Reporter Name:	Haril Walpole	Reporter Email:	hwalpole@giddings.net

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Derrick

Middle Name:

Last Name: Canada

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 2/23/1977 Sex: Male

Race: Black or African American

Age At Time Of Death: 43

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 6/22/2020 8:27 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 6/22/2020 8:38 AM

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:

Homicide - Gunshot wound to abdomen

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?: Not applicable

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:	W. Independence at N. Waco Street	City:	Giddings
County:	Lee	Zip:	78942

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?: 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:

4 cases of Attempted Murder

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: Used other weapon, specify:

Specify Weapon Used:

Knife

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

Ways Decedent Attempted To Injure Others:	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):	Yes	Make suicidal statements?:	No
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	Unknown	Exhibit any medical problems?:	Unknown

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?:	Yes
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	Yes	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 Monday June 22, 2020 at approximately 0828, Giddings PD Officers were dispatched in reference to multiple victims stabbed at the Texaco at the 700 Blk of N.Main St. Giddings PD dispatch advised that the suspect left the Texaco after the stabbings. Dispatch advised that the suspect was a tall slim black male wearing a camo t-shirt. Prior to the call for service, Sergeant James Catchings was recovering a bicycle from the train track near the Texaco gas station. Sergeant Catchings observed a tall slim black male wearing a camo t-shirt walking westbound on W. Independence. He saw the subject and knew him to be Derrick Canada from previous encounters Catchings advised dispatch that suspect was walking westbound on W. Independence and told dispatch it was Derrick Canada. Catchings located Canada walking up to a black pick

up truck on N. Waco St.

Sergeant Catchings observed Canada stabbing an unknown male in a pick-up truck. Catchings stopped his marked patrol vehicle and exited. He drew his duty weapon and yelled at Canada to drop the weapon. As he yelled commands for Canada to drop the knife, Canada raised his right arm in an attack position. Canada then began walking toward the uniformed officer me in a brisk power walk, saying nothing. Catchings began walking backwards in retreat, with his weapon point at Canada, still yelling the command to drop the knife. Canada's eyes appeared blood shot and he had no facial expression on his face. Catchings yelled commands for Canada to drop his weapon multiple times while walking back retreating away from him trying to keep distance from him. Canada eventually started running in a sprint toward the officer and he began moving his arm back and forth in a stabbing motion. Catchings continued giving commands for Canada to drop the weapon, but he failed to do so. Canada got close to the officer, close enough that a witness stated he thought the officer was stabbed by Canada. Catchings, running backwards, tripped and fell on his butt as Canada continued his advance. Catchings fired his weapon three times, striking Canada in the arm and torso (one shot missed). Canada was pronounced dead at the scene my Justice of the Peace Michael York. An autopsy is pending.

Afterwards, it was discovered that Canada had stabbed four different people, in what appeared to be random attacks. Each person was stabbed multiple times. All victims were transported to the hospital by ambulance. To date, all have survived. Witness and victims stated that Canada attacked his victims without speaking and with no expression. One witness stated, "It was as though he looked right through me."

Autopsy revealed Canada died from a gunshot wound to the abdomen. Autopsy also revealed a presence of PCP in Canada's system.