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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	21-1711-C	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	12/28/2021 11:56 AM	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:	Eddie
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Garcia		
Reporter Name:	Daniel Avalos	Reporter Email:	daniel.avalos@dallaspolice.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Leo

Middle Name: John

Last Name: Myers

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 2/21/1992

Sex: Male

Race: Asian or Pacific Islander

Age At Time Of Death: 29

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 12/25/2021 5:30 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 12/25/2021 5:30 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:

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single gunshot wound to the brain stem.

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?

Street Address:	8687 E. RL Thornton Frwy	City:	Dallas
County:	Dallas	Zip:	75228

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

Location Category: Other, specify

Other Location Category:

Hotel/ Motel

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

Type of Custody: Police Custody (pre-booking)

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:

Terrorist 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: Other, specify

Type of Offense, Other:

Health and Welfare Check

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 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?:	Yes
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	Yes	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?:	Yes	Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	Yes
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	No	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 12/25/2021 at about 11:50 A.M., Dallas Fire Rescue(DFR) responded to 8687 E. RL Thornton FRWY, The La Quinta Hotel. DFR was responded to a Health/ Welfare check regarding Mr. Myers. When the paramedics knocked on the hotel door and announced their presence, a single gun shot was heard coming from inside

the room. DFR believing they were shot at, requested Dallas Police to respond to the location with lights and sirens. When officers arrived at the location, they made verbal contact with Mr. Myers through the closed hotel door. Mr. Myers stated that he would kill the officers and himself if they attempted to enter the hotel room. The officers on scene then requested SWAT to the location and the barricade person protocol was then followed. Dallas Police SWAT arrived at the scene and attempted negotiations with Mr. Myers for several hours. The subject then stopped communicating with the negotiator and SWAT began to deploy distraction devices and used gas in an attempt to reengage in a conversation with the subject. This tactic was unsuccessful in making additional contact with the subject. SWAT was able to get a camera in the the bathroom of the hotel room. They observed the subject unconscious on the bathroom floor, with an apparent gunshot wound to his head and a handgun laying next to him. SWAT then made entry into the hotel room and made contact with the subject. A SWAT doctor pronounced Mr. Myers deceased at 5:30pm. No other Swat officer or police officers touched Mr. Myers during this incident. Dallas Police department's Special Investigation Unit, along with the Dallas County DA's office responded to the location and conducted separate investigations into the death of Mr. Myers. A search warrant was obtained for the room and a handgun was recovered with 3 spent shell casing located inside the hotel room. No officers discharged their firearms during this incident. An autopsy was conducted on 12/26/2021 by the Dallas County Medical Examiners Office, showing the subject deceased from a single gun shot wound to the brain stem. The subject made comments regarding it maybe be his last day alive and also posted his date of death as 12/25/2021 on a social media post.