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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	24-1516-CJ	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	11/7/2024 11:40 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Jefferson County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	5030 Hwy 69S
Agency City:	Beaumont	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	77705		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Zena
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Stephens		

Reporter Name: Marcia Guillory Reporter Email: marcia.guillory@jeffersoncountytx.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Shelbi

Middle Name:

Last Name: Ervin

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 1/21/1999 Sex: Female

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 25

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 11/2/2022 2:05 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 11/2/2024 8:09 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 pending

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

Manner of Death: Pending autopsy results

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Unknown

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?: Other detainee(s)

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?: Unknown

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: Unknown

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	5030 Hwy 69 S	City:	Beaumont
County:	Jefferson	Zip:	77705

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 - multiple occupancy 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:	11/2/2022 2:05 PM

Where did the death occur?

Death Location:	Law enforcement facility/booking center

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:

AGG Kidnapping

Offense 2:

AGG Robbery

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: Filed

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: 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 standoff?:	No	Resist being handcuffed or 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:

At 0725 Officer Bleakley was approached by an inmate stating inmate Ervin, Shelbi ID# 358099 would not wake up for medication pass. Officer Bleakley noticed inmate Ervin was unresponsive.
Officer Bleakley then notified the nurses that were present for medication pass and called for additional medical staff and officers. Life saving measures were started and all other inmates were escorted from the dorm. Life saving measures were performed by officers and medical staff until 0806 when EMS personnel arrived and took over. At 0809 EMS personnel advised they were no longer performing life saving measures and pronounced death at 0809. Judge R. Jones was notified and ordered an autopsy. The Texas Rangers were notified and Ranger Sullivan arrived to perform the investigation. During the investigation Ranger Sullivan was able to charge another inmate with negligent homocide, for providing inmate Ervin with illegal narcotics that may have caused her death.