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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	24-1562-CJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	11/25/2024 3:03 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Atascosa County Sheriff's Office	Agency Address:	1108 Campbell Ave.
Agency City:	Jourdanton	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78026		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Jake
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Guerra		
Reporter Name:	Matthew Miller	Reporter Email:	matt.miller@acso-tx.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Richard

Middle Name:

Last Name: Perez

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 10/13/2003 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 21

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 11/3/2024 12:51 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 11/3/2024 1:43 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: Other - specify

Manner of Death Description:

To be determined by Justice of the Peace (recommended "Natural")

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Aortic Disection

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?: 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?: 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?: Could not be determined

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, what was the means of death?

Means of Death: Not applicable, cause of death was illness/natural cause

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	1108 Campbell	City:	Jourdanton
County:	Atascosa	Zip:	78026

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:	10/1/2024 9:39 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?: 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:

NISI Warrant 24-04-0098-CRA (District Court) ORIGINAL CHARGE: POSS CS PG 1 >=1G<4G (F2)

Offense 2:

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: 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): No

Make suicidal statements?: No

Exhibit any mental health problems?: No

Exhibit any medical problems?: Yes

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:

On November 3, 2024, Inmate Perez was in Dayroom 2, which includes a general common area and two multi-inmate sleeping sections. Around 11:30 PM on that date, Inmate Perez lay down in his bunk. Shortly after, several inmates alerted the guards to check on him. Inmate Perez was found unresponsive and was taken to the booking area. Emergency Medical Services (EMS) were called, and CPR and life-saving techniques were performed by jail staff until EMS arrived. Inmate Perez was transported to the hospital by EMS, and at 1:43 AM, the doctor on duty pronounced him deceased. The investigation showed no signs of foul play, and the cause of death is pending the results of an autopsy.

On January 28, 2025, the reporting officer received the autopsy report.