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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	24-687-C	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	5/13/2024 7:06 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	El Paso Police Dept.	Agency Address:	911 N. Raynor
Agency City:	El Paso	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	79903		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Peter
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Pacillas		
Reporter Name:	REX PARSONS	Reporter Email:	2581@elpasotexas.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: JONATHAN

Middle Name: ROSE

Last Name: EDDENS

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 9/22/1988 Sex: Male

Race: Black or African American

Age At Time Of Death: 35

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 4/14/2024 3:16 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 4/14/2024 4:11 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: Accidental

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Cause of death: Toxic effects of methamphetamine
Contributing conditions: hypertensive cardiovascular disease

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?:	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:	Drug overdose

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	unknown where he ingested the methamphetamine	City:	el paso
County:	El Paso	Zip:	79901

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

Location Category: Other, specify

Other Location Category:

unknown exactly where he ingested the drugs that caused his death. the subject was encountered by officers with EPPD at Alameda and San Marcial Streets and was transported to University Medical Center, 4815 Alameda where he was later pronounced dead.

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:

Custody of Law Enforcement Personnel subsequent to arrest

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: 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:

ASSAULT PEACE OFFICER

Offense 2:

ATTEMPT TO TAKE WEAPON FROM AN OFFICER

Offense 3:

EVADING ARREST DETENTION AND RESISTING ARREST SEARCH OR TRANSPORT

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: No

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:	Injured law enforcement personnel; Attempted to injure law enforcement personnel

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?:	Unknown
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:	Yes	Escape or attempt to escape/flee custody:	Yes
Attempt gain possession officer's weapon:	Yes		

Was the deceased under restraint in the time leading up to the death or the events causing the death?

Under Restraint:	Yes, mark which restraint devices were used

Type of restraint

Type of Restraint:	Handcuffs

Summary of Incident

Summary of How the Death Occurred: (max. 30,000 characters)

Summary:

On 04/14/2024 at approximately 1516 hours, an El Paso Police Department (EPPD) Central Regional Command Center Patrol unit ("full crew", 2 uniformed officer police unit) observed the decedent walking in and out of traffic on the roadway at Alameda and San Marcial streets. The uniformed police officers observed that the decedent had an injury to his face and he was bleeding. The uniformed police officers attempted to make contact with the decedent. The decedent evaded from the uniformed police officers on foot, east on Alameda. After a foot pursuit, the decedent assaulted multiple uniformed police officers and resisted arrest at 3306 Alameda where the initial EPPD Officers were assisted by other responding EPPD Officers. The decedent was tased multiple times and was placed into custody with multiple criminal charges. Once the decedent was taken into custody, El Paso Fire Medical Services was summoned to the scene and the decedent was transported by ambulance to University Medical Center (UMC) for medical treatment. While receiving treatment at UMC, the decedent went into cardiac arrest and was pronounced dead shortly after. The scene where the decedent was placed into custody was secured. Detectives from the Crimes Against Persons Unit, Internal Affairs and the Crime Scene Unit were called in. The Texas Rangers (DPS) were also called in and responded to the scene for their portion of the investigation.

Investigators met with multiple witnesses and were able to recover eyewitness video of the incident. The involved uniformed police officers all suffered injuries as a result of the incident.

An autopsy was performed on the decedent by the county medical examiner's office. Decedent's death was ruled an accident. The immediate cause listed is: toxic effects of methamphetamines. Contributing Conditions listed is: hypertensive cardiovascular disease.