KEN PAXTON
ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	25-546-UF	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	7/21/2025 2:13 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Garland Police Dept.	Agency Address:	1891 Forest Lane
Agency City:	Garland	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	75042		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Jeff
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Bryan		
Reporter Name:	Steven May	Reporter Email:	mays@garlandtx.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Kenneth

Middle Name:

Last Name: Mendez

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 3/10/2002 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 23

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 7/17/2025 3:00 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 7/18/2025 1:10 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: Homicide (includes Justifiable Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Per ME: Subject died as a result of toxic effects of methamphetamine to include psychosis, further compounded by physiological stress associated with a struggle with and restraint by police.

Had the decedent been receiving treatment for the medical condition that caused the death after admission to your jail's jurisdiction?

Medical Treatment: Yes

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, who caused the death?

Who caused the death?: Law enforcement/correctional personnel

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:	1313 W. Centerville Road	City:	Garland
County:	Dallas	Zip:	75041

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: 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:

Indecent Exposure/Disorderly Conduct (Exposure); Resisting Arrest

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: Alcohol / drug offense; Medical / Mental Health assistance call

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):	Yes	Make suicidal statements?:	No
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	Yes	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?:	Yes
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:	Yes
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:	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 Thursday, July 17, 2025, at approximately 3:00 p.m., Garland Police Officers were dispatched to the 1300 block of Marketplace Drive (Garland, Texas) in response to multiple 9-1-1 calls from concerned citizens. Callers reported seeing an adult male, completely nude, in a public area.

Upon arrival, officers located the individual outside a restaurant. The man was visibly nude, as reported. Officers attempted to verbally speak with him, but he was uncooperative. When officers attempted to detain him, the individual began fighting and speaking incoherently. Responding officers were finally able to bring the individual into custody.

Shortly thereafter, the individual suffered a medical emergency. Garland Fire Department paramedics responded, provided medical aid and transported him to a local hospital.

On Friday, July 18, just after 1:00 p.m., investigators were notified by hospital staff that the individual was pronounced deceased.

After an autopsy was performed, Medical Examiner wrote: "Based on the available case history and autopsy findings, it is my opinion that Kenneth Alexander Mendez Aguero, a 23-year-old Hispanic man, died as a result of toxic effects of methamphetamine to include psychosis, further compounded by physiologic stress associated with a struggle with and restraint by police".

Manner of death: Homicide