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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	25-586-CJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	8/1/2025 9:42 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	El Paso County Sheriff's Office	Agency Address:	3850 Justice Road
Agency City:	El Paso	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	79938		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Oscar
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Ugarte		
Reporter Name:	Samuel Magallanes	Reporter Email:	smagallanes@epcounty.com

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Jonathan

Middle Name:

Last Name: Rizzo

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 1/21/1991 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 34

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 8/1/2025 4:24 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 8/1/2025 7:00 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: Natural

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Cause of Death: Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumor

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?:	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?:	Pre-existing medical condition

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:	601 E. Overland Ave	City:	El Paso
County:	El Paso	Zip:	79901

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:	5/22/2025 2:36 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?:	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:

CTI: Credit Card or Debit Card Abuse/ Cause# 20250D03769

Offense 2:

AC/PR REVO/Poss. CS PG 1/1-B Cause# 20250D03773

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:	Crime Against Property

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?:	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?:	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:

Please allow this message to serve as the First Notification of Death at one of our facilities:

El Paso County Sheriff's Office Case# 202510084

Date of Incident:
08/01/2025 @ 1624 Hours

Location:
601 E. Overland Ave, El Paso County Texas 79901

Name of Inmate: Rizzo, Jonathan 01-21-1991
In Custody for CTI: Credit Card or Debit Card Abuse/ Cause# 20250D03769AC/PR R EVO/Poss. CS PG 1/1-B Cause# 20250D03773

Investigator:
Detective Moises Gutierrez #4469
(915) 838-5416
Texas Ranger Gustavo Sanchez

Details:

On 05-22-2025 at approximately 0236 hours, Inmate Jonathan Rizzo was arrested for Credit Card or Debit Card Abuse (Cause #20250D03769) and AC/PR REVO/Possession of Controlled Substance PG 1/1-B (Cause #20250D03773).

Inmate Rizzo was assigned to Cellblock 790 at the El Paso County Detention Facility. At approximately 1620 hours, Detention Officers were conducting a routine physical check of the floor. During physical check, they observed Inmate Rizzo slumped over, facing the toilet, and unresponsive. A medical emergency was immediately reported over the radio, and appropriate protocols were activated.

At approximately 1624 hours, additional Detention Officers arrived at the cell and assisted in performing CPR while the El Paso Fire Department was notified and responded. Inmate Rizzo was subsequently transported to Las Palmas Medical Center, located at 1801 N. Oregon St., El Paso, TX 79902, by El Paso Fire

Department Rescue 4.
At approximately 1900 hours, Inmate Rizzo was pronounced deceased by Physician Crosby and medical examiner investigator.

The incident was recorded on the Detention Facility Cellblock 790 security cameras as well as the body cameras of the Supervisors present at the scene.
An investigation is currently ongoing, and at this time, no foul play is suspected.