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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 22-674-UF

Version Type: AMENDED

Report Date: 1/24/2023 5:41 AM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: San Antonio Police
Dept.

Agency Address: 315 S. Santa Rosa

Agency City: San Antonio

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 78207

Director Information

Director Salutation: Chief

Director First Name: William

Director Middle Name: P.

Director Last Name: McManus

Reporter Name: Miles Earwood

Reporter Email: miles.earwood@sanantonio.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Janet

Middle Name:

Last Name: Silva

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 12/1/1970

Sex: Female

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 51

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 5/21/2022 5:46 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 5/21/2022 5:52 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:

Multiple gunshot wounds

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?: 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?: Handgun

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: Firearm

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 415 Delmar Street

City: San Antonio

County: Bexar

Zip: 78210

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

Location Category: Residence/Home

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: Scene of incident

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:

Aggravated Assault Deadly Weapon

Offense 2:

Deadly Conduct

Offense 3:

Assault Bodily/Injury

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: Yes, mark all that apply

Decedent Display or Use Weapon Details: Used other weapon, specify:

Specify Weapon Used:

Large lock blade knife

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:	Attempted to injure civilian(s) or other inmate(s)
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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?:	Yes
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	Yes	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?:	Yes	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:	Yes	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: No

Summary of Incident

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

Summary:

Officers were dispatched to the scene for a cutting in progress. According to details from dispatch, the female (decedent) was cutting her wrist and hitting the 911 caller who described himself as the decedent's roommate. As the officers were entering the residence, they were told the decedent had a knife and was trying to stab through the back door. Officers walked to the rear of the residence and contacted the male roommate and the decedent who were both outside in the backyard. The decedent is seen yelling at the male roommate. Officer Charles asked the decedent if she possessed a knife and she denied possessing a knife. The officers went out the back door and began talking with the decedent who was visibly upset and agitated. The decedent walked away from the officers in the direction of the gated driveway fence. As the decedent retreated from the officers, she reached behind her and pulled a knife from behind her. Officer Russell

attempted to utilize his taser, but the probes failed to deploy. As the officers were talking to the decedent, she brought the knife to her neck and continued to yell at the male caller. Officer Charles announced he was going to retrieve a shotgun (as a less-than-lethal option) and the decedent appeared to hear this and started to quickly walk towards the male caller. Officer Russell was able to utilize his taser, but the decedent continued moving towards the male caller. The decedent walked towards the back-porch area and the male caller ran to the back door and went inside the house. The decedent continued towards the back porch, as if to enter the residence, with the knife in her right hand and pointed at her neck. The decedent turned towards Officer Russell as she continued to move towards the rear entry to the house. Officer Russell, believing the decedent presented a threat of death or bodily injury to those inside the house if she was able to enter, then fired at the decedent striking her. EMS was on scene at the time of the shooting and rendered medical aid to the decedent, but she succumbed to her injuries.