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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	22-1740-CJ	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	12/22/2022 4:43 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Cameron County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	7300 Old Alice Rd
Agency City:	Olmito	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78575		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Eric
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Garza		
Reporter Name:	Juan Barron	Reporter Email:	juan.barron@co.cameron.tx.us

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Jose

Middle Name: Sergio

Last Name: Valdez

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 1/6/1973 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 49

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 12/16/2022 7:35 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 12/17/2022 4:44 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 pending

What was the manner of death? (select only one)

Manner of Death: Natural

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Brain Aneurysm - Pending final autopsy report.

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:	7100 Old Alice Road	City:	Olmito
County:	Cameron	Zip:	78575

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 - day room/recreation area

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:	8/31/2022 4:53 PM

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:

Warrant on a Motion to Revoke - Theft of property 2/more convictions a State Jail Felony

Offense 2:

Offense 3:

Were the Charges::	A probation/parole violation

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):	Unknown	Make suicidal statements?:	Unknown
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	No	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?:	N/A	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 Friday the 16th day of December 2022, Inmate Jose Sergio Valdez in seen in jail video surveillance doing some exercise before sitting down in a table to watch TV. Inmate suddenly collapses to the floor and is medically attended. Inmate got transported to the Valley Regional Medical where was was medical seen by a doctor. On Saturday the 17th day of December 2022 at approximately 4:44pm was the time of death of inmate Jose Sergio Valdez. Both the Medical Doctor at the Valley Regional Hospital and the Pathologist who conducted the autopsy concluded that inmate Jose Sergio Valdez had a brain aneurysm and added there was no indications of any trauma to the body.