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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	23-521-UF	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	5/12/2023 9:43 AM	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: Francisco

Middle Name: Javier

Last Name: Mendoza Carreon

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 12/11/1986 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 36

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 5/8/2023 9:07 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 5/8/2023 11:09 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 pending

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

Manner of Death: Pending autopsy results

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Autopsy report is pending. Possibly drug overdose.

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:	8000 Block of N. Oklahoma	City:	Brownsville
County:	Cameron	Zip:	78521

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

Location Category: Other, specify

Other Location Category:

Driveway to a residence on the 8000 Block of N. Oklahoma.

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:

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:
Aggravated Robbery TPC 29.03	
	Offense 2:
	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:	Violent Crime Against Persons; 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?:	Yes (select all that apply)
Ways Decedent Attempted To	Injured civilian(s) or

Injure Others:	other inmate(s)

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?:	Unknown	Exhibit any medical problems?:	No

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:	Unknown	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 Monday May 8th, 2023 at about 2043 hours, Cameron County Sheriff Deputies were dispatched to 8455 North Oklahoma Avenue located in Brownsville, Texas regarding a burglary which had just occurred.

At 2102 hours, dispatch received a second call from a citizen via 911, advised there was a male subject (dark shirt over cargo shorts) on Oklahoma Avenue who attempted to commit another burglary. Dispatch logged via Mobile CAD a citizen who confronted the suspect. The same citizen was “grabbed by the throat” by the suspect as the suspect attempted to take the victim's truck. Lastly, dispatch also logged, citizens were actively looking for the suspect nearby.
At about 2103 hours, Deputies Andres Mora #137 and Ashley Stukes #181 arrived nearby and were waved down by the initial caller of the 911, near the 8000 block of Oklahoma Avenue. At the 8000 block of Oklahoma Avenue, Deputies gathered more information from the caller. At about 2107 hours, Deputies Mora and Stukes detained a male subject later identified as Francisco Javier Mendoza Carreon 12/11/1986. At about 2108 hours, Deputy Mora called out “male resisting”. It was also called out there were two suspects, one of which was already detained and one was still at large. At about 2110 hours, Deputy Mora called out “male under the influence”. At about 2111 hours, Deputy Alexis Herrera #124 arrived to the scene to assist Deputies Mora and Stukes. At about 2114 hours, Deputies requested EMS for the detained subject due to no longer breathing/possible overdose.
Texas Department of public safety Ranger Division - Texas Ranger Patrick O'Connor arrived and took over the custodial death investigation.