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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 23-1693-UF

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VERSION

Report Date: 12/15/2023 11:01
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: Russ Van Geffen

Reporter Email: russ.vangeffen@sanantonio.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Ray

Middle Name:

Last Name: Garcia

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 12/11/1995

Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 27

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 12/10/2023 8:26 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 12/10/2023 8:47 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 are available

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

Homicide (includes

Manner of Death: Justifiable
Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Gunshot wound

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?: 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: 3414 Buena Vista

City: San Antonio

County: Bexar

Zip: 78207

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:

Custody of Law Enforcement Personnel during/fleeing 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: Scene of incident

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:

TAKING OR ATTEMPTING TO TAKE WEAPON FROM PEACE OFFICER

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: Other, specify

Type of Offense, Other:

911 open line, wanted person

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 Injure Others: Attempted to injure law enforcement personnel

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?:	Yes
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	No	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):	Yes	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:	Yes		

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 12/10/2023, at approximately 0820 hrs, San Antonio Park Police Officers were dispatched to 475 Apache Creek Greenway for a 911 open line disturbance. The caller could be overheard telling someone they knew they were "wanted", which was presumed to mean they were a fugitive. Arriving officers located a female and a male (the decedent). The officers obtained identifying information and ran routine checks on the individuals; however, the information provided by the decedent was not corroborated with computer research. Since the decedent may have provided false identifying information, the officers went to detain the decedent so they could investigate further. When the officers approached, the decedent fled on foot from the officers, jumping a

fence and going out of sight into a yard. One officer went into a back yard and heard a noise emitting from a storage shed. Believing it could be the decedent, the officer gave commands for the decedent to exit the shed. The decedent exited the shed and immediately walked toward the officer stating he was not going back to jail and the officer would have to kill him. The officer deployed his taser; however, the taser device was ineffective and did not stop the decedent's approach. The decedent then reached for, and took hold of, the officer's service weapon. The decedent and the officer fell to the ground in a struggle for the firearm. A second Park Police Officer heard the struggle and arrived at the scene. This officer also attempted to use his taser on the decedent; however, it was ineffective. This second officer feared for his safety and the safety of the other officer due to the decedent having a hold of the first officer's firearm. The second officer fired one round into the decedent to end his course of conduct. The officers placed the decedent in handcuffs. EMS was requested and they would ultimately pronounce the decedent at the scene.