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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	24-1071-UF	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	7/25/2024 9:59 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Killeen Police Dept.	Agency Address:	3304 Community Blvd.
Agency City:	Killeen	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	76542		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Pedro
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Lopez Jr.		
Reporter Name:	DREW MARTIN	Reporter Email:	dmartin@killeentexas.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Carlos

Middle Name: Joseph

Last Name: Christian

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 3/4/1999 Sex: Male

Race: Black or African American

Age At Time Of Death: 25

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 7/24/2024 9:46 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 7/24/2024 10:04 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)

Pending autopsy

Manner of Death: results

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Pending Autopsy Results

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?: 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?: 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:	5900 E Stagecoach Road	City:	Killeen
County:	Bell	Zip:	76542

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

Location Category: Roadway/highway/street/sidewalk

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?: 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:

Evading in Motor Vehicle

Offense 2:

Defective Headlight

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:

Traffic Violation

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: Discharged firearm

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?:	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?:	N/A
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:	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:

On 07/24/2024, a Killeen Police Department (KPD) officer observed a traffic violation in the 3800 block of Elms Road. The KPD officer attempted to make a traffic stop on the violator when they evaded the officer in their vehicle. The operator of the vehicle was later identified as Carlos Joseph Christian. Carlos Joseph Christian continued to flee from the KPD officer and was traveling eastbound in the 5900 block of Stagecoach Road. Carlos Joseph Chrisitan's vehicle abruptly left the roadway and crashed in the backyard of a local residence. KPD officers approached the vehicle and discovered that Carlos Joseph Christian had a gunshot wound to his head that appeared to be self-inflicted, as he was the only occupant of the vehicle. A Justice of the Peace ordered that an autopsy be performed on Carlos Joseph Christian. Case pending results of investigation and autopsy.