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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	25-566-MJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	7/24/2025 2:52 PM	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: Joshua

Middle Name: Lamar

Last Name: Anderson

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 8/4/1997 Sex: Male

Race: Black or African American

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: 7/19/2025 5:04 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 7/19/2025 9:29 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: Accidental

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Overdose of Methamphetamine

Had the decedent been receiving treatment for the medical condition that caused the death after admission to your jail's jurisdiction?

Medical Treatment:	Yes

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:	3304 Community BLVD	City:	Killeen
County:	Bell	Zip:	76542

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:	Municipal Jail

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:
Jail - multiple occupancy cell

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:	7/19/2025 5:04 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:

No Liability Insurance

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:

Routine Traffic Stop, Class C

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?: No

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?:	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 July 19, 2025, Joshua Lamar Anderson was stopped by a Killeen Police Department (KPD) Officer for an expired Motor Vehicle Registration (MVR). During the traffic stop, it was discovered that Mr. Anderson did not possess a valid driver's license, and the vehicle was found to be uninsured. Mr. Anderson was placed under arrest for MVR, Driving While License Invalid (DWLI), and for Failure to Maintain Financial Responsibility (FMFR). Mr. Anderson was transported to the Killeen City Jail for booking. Mr. Anderson was processed and placed in a cell with other arrestees. Around two (2) hours later, Mr. Anderson told a Jailer that he needed to go to the hospital. The jail staff attempted to find out what was wrong with Mr. Anderson, but he would not immediately answer their questions. Eventually, Mr. Anderson advised "swallow" but did not give any more details. Killeen EMS was called to the jail to assess Mr. Anderson, and it was determined that he would be transported to the hospital for further evaluation. As Mr. Anderson had been arrested for Class C traffic-related offenses, he was released from Jail so that he could get medical attention. EMS transported Mr. Anderson to Seton Medical Center, Harker Heights, and released from custody. Around 10:22 PM, Seton Medical Center contacted KPD to notify us of the death of Mr. Anderson. Justice of the Peace Gregory Johnson had already pronounced Mr. Anderson's time of death as 9:28 PM. Mr. Anderson was taken to the Southwestern Institute of Forensic Science (SWIFS) for an autopsy.

Upon investigation by the KPD Criminal Investigation Division, it was found that Mr. Anderson had concealed what was believed to be an unknown narcotic in his right shoe when he was sitting in the back seat of the patrol vehicle. Mr. Anderson was seen on video removing the unknown narcotic from his shoe with his right hand and ingesting the unknown narcotic before being processed into the city jail.

An autopsy was performed at the Southwestern Institute of Forensic Science in Dallas, TX. The autopsy report advised that the death was ruled as Accidental as a result of Overdose of Methamphetamine. No further actions were taken.

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SGT Martin #211