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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	25-734-UF	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	9/16/2025 9:20 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Sugar Land Police Dept.	Agency Address:	PO BOX 110
Agency City:	Sugarland	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	77487		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Pedro
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Lara		
Reporter Name:	Rudy Ramirez	Reporter Email:	rramirez@sugarlandtx.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Adrian

Middle Name: Jacobo

Last Name: Mercado

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 11/9/1989 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 35

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 9/3/2025 9:51 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 9/4/2025 5:40 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)

Manner of Death: Homicide (includes Justifiable Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Gunshot wound to the neck

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?: Rifle/shotgun

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:	13007 Lawrence Lane	City:	Stafford
County:	Fort Bend	Zip:	77477

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:

N/A

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:
Murder	
	Offense 2:
Aggravated Assault on a Peace Officer	
	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:	Violent Crime Against Persons

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?:	Yes (select all that apply)
Ways Decedent Attempted To Injure Others:	Attempted to injure law enforcement personnel; Killed civilian(s) or 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):	Unknown	Make suicidal statements?:	Yes
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?:	Yes	Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	N/A
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	Yes	Gain possession of officer's weapon:	No
Verbally threaten other(s) including law:	Unknown	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:

The Sugar Land Police Department participates in and partners with the East Fort Bend Regional SWAT. On September 3, 2025, several SLPD officers on the regional team responded to 13007 Lawrence Street in the City of Stafford to assist the Stafford Police Department with a barricaded suspect.

The Stafford Police Department was investigating a Murder at the Lawrence Street address when Stafford PD officers encountered the Murder suspect, and then the suspect shot at the officers. A Stafford Officer fired at the suspect who was inside the Lawrence Street residence, and after the shootout, SWAT was called to the scene. The SWAT team entered the residence and found the suspect deceased from a gunshot wound received by the Stafford Officer.