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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 26-291-C

Version Type: AMENDED

Report Date: 4/10/2026 10:38
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: Jesse

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Salame

Reporter Name: Russ Van Geffen

Reporter Email: russ.vangeffen@sanantonio.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Christopher

Middle Name:

Last Name: Montalbo

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 1/29/1991

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: 3/19/2026 2:03 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 3/19/2026 3:12 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: Could not be
determined

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?: 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: 8303 McCullough
Avenue

City: San Antonio

County: Bexar

Zip: 78216

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

Location Category: Business

What type of custody/facility was the Decedent in at the time of death:

Type of Custody: Police Custody
(pre-booking)

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: 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:

Evading Vehile

Offense 2:

Evading foot

Offense 3:

Felon in possession of firearm

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:

Crimes against the state

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): No

Make suicidal statements?: No

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): 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: 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 March 19, 2026, San Antonio Police officers attempted to stop a vehicle that had been reported stolen. The driver fled in the vehicle, and the patrol units did not pursue. However, the SAPD helicopter maintained visual contact and directed the patrol units to the vehicle, which had stopped at a convenience store at 8303 McCullough Avenue. Upon the arrival of SAPD and Texas DPS patrol units, the driver exited the vehicle and fled on foot. Officers quickly apprehended the suspect. The suspect was searched before being handcuffed and secured in a patrol vehicle. While officers remained on the scene and outside of the vehicle, the suspect

was able to produce a handgun he had concealed on his person and shot himself. When an officer returned to the patrol vehicle, the suspect was discovered slumped over and still handcuffed. Despite immediate medical intervention by officers and arriving EMS, the suspect succumbed to his injuries