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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	18-724-UF	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	8/8/2018 5:26 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Amarillo Police Dept.	Agency Address:	200 SE 3rd Ave
Agency City:	Amarillo	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	79101		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Ed
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Drain		
Reporter Name:	Kyle Hawley	Reporter Email:	kyle.hawley@amarillo.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Jonathan

Middle Name: Joey

Last Name: Mendoza

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 6/10/1983 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: 8/1/2018 6:04 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 8/1/2018 6:04 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 are available

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

Manner of Death: Homicide (includes Justifiable Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

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Blood loss due to Visceral injuries from multiple gun shot wounds.

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

Medical Treatment:	Not Applicable

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:	212 6th Ave	City:	Hereford
County:	Deaf Smith	Zip:	79045

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:

Aggravated Assault on a Public servant

Offense 2:

Warrant Agg. Assault with a Deadly Weapon

Offense 3:

Parole Violation Warrant Orig. Charge Agg. Assault

Were the Charges::	Filed

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

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):	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:	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:

Officers learned Jonathan Joey Mendoza was wanted on several Felony warrants. They included a Parole Violation Warrant, original charge Aggravated Assault Warrant number 06189230; Potter County Warrant 75988-Z for Assault Household member Impeding Breath or Circulation; Potter County Warrant 75987-Z. for Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon; Potter County Warrant # CCCR-17-1846-2 for Terroristic Threat. Deaf Smith SO Deputies located a vehicle Mr. Mendoza was known to drive at 212 6th Ave. Surveillance was begun at that location. Contact with other family members confirmed Mr. Mendoza was at the location. Efforts were made to arrest Mr. Mendoza away from the house. Those efforts were unsuccessful. A surround and call out was planned. As Officers set up the perimeter, the suspect exited the back and was challenged by officers. Mr. Mendoza then ran toward the front. He was displaying a weapon. Officers in front challenged Mr. Mendoza; however, he would not submit to arrest. An Officer fearing that he was about to fire on other officers on scene fired his rifle at Mr. Mendoza striking him. The suspect continued to climb a pipe and wire fence and fell to his back on the opposite side. The fall dislodged the gun from his hand. Mr. Mendoza looked around and found the gun and picked it up. Officers observed the gun now pointed in their direction. Two

different officers now in the line of fire engaged Mr. Mendoza and fired rounds from their rifles. He was struck again, and then stopped resisting. Medical care was attempted but officers and medics could not save his life.