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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 19-156-C

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Report Date: 10/1/2019 8:43 AM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Texas Department
Of Public Safety

Agency Address: PO BOX 4087

Agency City: Austin

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 78773

Director Information

Director Salutation: Director

Director First Name: Steven

Director Middle Name: C

Director Last Name: McCraw

Reporter Name: Joanne
Scarborough

Reporter Email: joanne.scarbrough@dps.texas.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Jeffery

Middle Name: Wayne

Last Name: Barefield

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 11/24/1978

Sex: Male

Race: Black or African
American

Age At Time Of Death: 40

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 2/15/2019 9:33 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 2/15/2019 11:15
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: Other - specify

Manner of Death Description:

Toxic effects of methamphetamine

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Toxic effects 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: Not Applicable

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: US 181 @ FM 537

City: Floresville

County: Wilson

Zip: 78114

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: 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: Medical facility

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:

Parole Violation

Offense 2:

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: A probation/parole violation

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: 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): Yes

Make suicidal statements?: No

Exhibit any mental health problems?: No

Exhibit any medical problems?: Yes

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: 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 February 15, 2019, at approximately 9:33 PM, Trooper Jayme Powers stopped a 2011 Chevrolet Impala for a defective head lamp. Trooper Powers identified the driver as Jeffery Wayne Barefield. Trooper Powers discovered that Barefield had an outstanding warrant for a parole violation. Trooper Powers placed Barefield in handcuffs and secured him in the marked DPS patrol car while the warrant was being confirmed through DPS San Antonio Communications. While the warrant was being confirmed, Trooper Powers conducted a

consensual search of Barefield's vehicle where he located a clear plastic bag with a white crystal substance residue in it. The bag appeared to have been torn open by Barefield's teeth and was wet, which led Trooper Powers to believe Barefield may have ingested the substance that was in the bag. When Trooper Powers returned to his patrol car, Barefield was saying it hurt but never said what hurt. Even though Trooper Powers pleaded with him to say what he ate, Barefield refused. As Barefield's medical condition worsened, Trooper Powers called for EMS and had Barefield step out of the patrol car. Trooper Powers noticed that Barefield started shaking and believed he was going into a seizure. After this, Barefield was conscious but became unresponsive. Trooper Powers removed the handcuffs and tried to have Barefield sit on the ground.

Trooper Powers released Barefield to EMS personnel as soon as they arrived on scene. EMS transported Barefield to Connelly Memorial Medical Center in Floresville, Texas. While being treated at the hospital, Barefield's condition continued to worsen, and he died at 11:15 PM.