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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 20-1390-CJ

Version Type: AMENDED

Report Date: 1/23/2023 11:18 AM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Bexar County Sheriff's Office

Agency Address: 200 N. Comal

Agency City: San Antonio

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 78207

Director Information

Director Salutation: Sheriff

Director First Name: Javier

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Salazar

Reporter Name: Crystal Esquibel

Reporter Email: crystal.esquibel@bexar.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Robert

Middle Name:

Last Name: Cantu

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 4/8/1977

Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 43

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 9/20/2020 8:46 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 9/21/2020 10:39
AM

Manner / Cause of Death

Has a medical examiner or coroner conducted an evaluation to determine a cause of death?

Medical Examiner/Coroner Yes, results are
Evaluation?: available

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

Manner of Death: Accidental

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Combined effects of methamphetamine toxicity and a dilated enlarged heart

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

Medical Treatment: Unknown

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?: Could not be determined

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: 200 N. Comal

City: San Antonio

County: Bexar

Zip: 78207

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: County 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: 9/20/2020 8:46 AM

Where did the death occur?

Death Location: Law enforcement
facility/booking
center

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:

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Offense 2:

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: Filed

What were the types of charges or reason for contact? (Hold CTRL to select all that apply)

Type of Offense: Crime Against
Property

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?: Unknown

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

Gain possession of officer's

officer(s):	No	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 09/21/2020 at approximately 1014 hours, Officer D. Garcia #4117 arrived to unit AE to take Inmate Cantu to medical. Inmate Cantu was unresponsive to Unit Officer R. Flores' attempt to contact him via the intercom. Officer Flores reported to the Inmate's assigned cell (AE08) to wake him up and found him unresponsive. Officer Flores initiated a Code 1 Blue as Officer Garcia began chest compressions. CODE 1 Blue in AE announced by Master Control at approximately 1015 hours. Medical responded and took over CPR. At approximately 1027 hours, San Antonio Fire Department EMS arrived. Inmate Cantu was pronounced dead at approximately 1039 hours by Medic Daniel King #1400.