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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	18-516-CJ	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	6/13/2018 3:07 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Comal County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	3005 W. San Antonio St.
Agency City:	New Braunfels	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78130		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Mark
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Reynolds		
Reporter Name:	John Bell	Reporter Email:	belljo@co.comal.tx.us

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Jose

Middle Name: Guadalupe

Last Name: Rodriguez

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 12/6/1980 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 37

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 5/12/2018 11:45 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 6/5/2018 3:57 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 pending

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

Manner of Death: Pending autopsy results

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Unknown at this time. Pending autopsy findings

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?: Unknown whether decedent sustained a fatal injury

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: Unknown

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	3005 W. San Antonio Street	City:	New Braunfels, Texas
County:	Comal	Zip:	78130

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 - single 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:	5/12/2018 11:02 PM

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:

Driving While Intoxicated 2nd

Offense 2:

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: Alcohol / drug offense

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?: Unknown

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?:	Yes	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:	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:	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 05/13/18 at approximately 2245 hours Mr. Rodriguez was brought to the Comal County Jail for Driving While Intoxicated 2 Offense by the Texas Department of Public Safety. On 05/14/18 at approximately 1434 hours he was moved from the holding cell into cellblock Q-1. On 05/15/18 1035 hours inmates in cellblock Q-1 advised floor officers that Mr. Rodriguez was acting strange. Officers then had Mr. Rodriguez exit cellblock Q-1. Once outside the cell officers attempted to escort Mr. Rodriguez towards the booking area to have medical personnel check him out. Mr. Rodriguez became non-compliant and combative with officers. Mr. Rodriguez began to struggle with officers and remained combative. Once control was regained, officers escorted him to Violent Cell #2 and secured him in that location. While in the cell Mr. Rodriguez remained non-compliant with officers and medical staff. At approximately 1039 hours 05/15/18 Mr. Rodriguez was placed on suicide watch and 15 minute security checks were initiated. On 05/17/18 at approximately 1243 hours Corrections Officer Emeterio Silguero checked on Mr. Rodriguez and found him to be laying on his back on the cell floor next to the door and unresponsive. Medical staff was advised of this and responded to Violent Cell #2. Medical staff began to treat and assess Mr. Rodriguez. New Braunfels EMS was called and responded to the Comal County Jail. New Braunfels EMS arrived and transported Mr. Rodriguez to Christus Santa Rosa Hospital New Braunfels Texas. After his arrival at Christus Santa Rosa medical personnel had Mr. Rodriguez airlifted to University Hospital. On 05/18/18 at approximatley 1718 hours Mr. Rodriguez was released from our custody on receipt of a PR Bond issued by Judge Charles Stephens, Comal County Court At Law #2. On 06/05/18 at approximately 1754 hours Texas Ranger Joey Evans notified our agency and advised that Mr. Rodriguez had passed away. Texas Ranger Joey Evans will be investigating the circumstances of Mr. Rodriguez's death. Autopsy results are pending.