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ATTORNEY GENERAL *of* TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 19-665-UF

Version Type: ORIGINAL
VERSION

Report Date: 7/10/2019 8:11 AM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Pasadena Police
Dept.

Agency Address: 1201 Davis Street

Agency City: Pasadena

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 77506

Director Information

Director Salutation: Chief

Director First Name: Joshua

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Bruegger

Reporter Name: Michael Cooper

Reporter Email: mcooper@pasadenatx.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Sylvia

Middle Name: Gallardo

Last Name: Guerrero

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 8/19/1977

Sex: Female

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 41

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 6/5/2019 7:20 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 7/3/2019 5:08 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: Suicide

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Complications of gunshot wound of the chest

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?: 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: 2013 Lenny Lane

City: pasadena

County: Harris

Zip: 77502

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:

N/A

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?: 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:

No charges. Mental Health call for service

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: Medical / Mental Health assistance call

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): Unknown

Make suicidal statements?: Yes

Exhibit any mental health problems?: Yes

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?:	Yes	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: No

Summary of Incident

Summary of How the Death Occurred: (max. 30,000 characters)

Summary:

On 6/5/19, The Decedent, Sylvia Guerrero, locked herself in a black 2014 Ford Explorer, which was parked in her driveway of her residence at 2013 Lenny Lane, Pasadena, Harris County, Texas. Sylvia was armed with a Glock model 30 handgun (.45cal) and was pointing it at her head or chest. Family members notified police of the situation.

Responding Pasadena Police officers spent approximately 40/45 minutes trying to convince Sylvia to put the gun down and talk with them about what was going on. Officers used their voices standing near the vehicle in English and Spanish language. Officers also used a "PA" system in attempts to communicate with Sylvia. Sylvia did not respond to any of the attempts the officers made to communicate with her.

Sylvia pulled the trigger of the handgun and shot herself in the chest. Officers immediately provided first-aid along with ambulance staff and SWAT Medical staff. Sylvia was transported, via Lifeflight, to Hermann Memorial Hospital.

On 7/3/19, at approximately 5:08 PM, Sylvia succumbed to her injuries sustained from the gunshot wound.

The Harris County Institute of Forensic Science, Medical Examiner, conducted an autopsy and ruled Sylvia's death as a Suicide, complications from gunshot wound to the chest.