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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 23-875-UF

Version Type: AMENDED

Report Date: 1/16/2024 3:09 PM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Ector County
Sheriff's Ofc.

Agency Address: 2500 S. Highway
385

Agency City: Odessa

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 79761

Director Information

Director Salutation: Sheriff

Director First Name: Michael

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Griffis

Reporter Name: Diallo Bass

Reporter Email: tony.bass@ectorcountysheriff.us

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Salvador

Middle Name: Chuca

Last Name: Manzo

Suffix: Jr

Date of Birth: 7/20/1978

Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 44

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 7/9/2023 4:11 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 7/9/2023 5:30 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:

Medical Cause of Death:

Multiple Gunshot Wound to Abdomen and
Right Thigh Due to Ethanol Intoxication

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: 3294 Haley Street

City: Crane

County: Crane

Zip: 79731

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 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:

Aggravated Assault with Deadly Weapon Family Violence Felony 1

Offense 2:

Assault Family Violence Impede Breath Felony 3

Offense 3:

Unlawful Restraint Misdemeanor A
Interference with Emergency Telephone Call Misdemeanor A

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: Displayed firearm without discharge

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): Yes

Make suicidal statements?: Yes

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?: Yes

Resist being handcuffed or arrested?: Yes

Physically attempt/assault officer(s): No

Gain possession of officer's weapon: No

Verbally threaten other(s) including law: Yes

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: 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 July 9, 2023, approximately 0955 hours, Crane County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) deputies requesting assistance from the Ector County Sheriff's Office (ECSO) apprehending wanted subject. The subject in question identified as Salvador Chuca Manzo Jr, white male, 07/20/1978, 3294 Haley St, Crane, Texas, had

four outstanding warrants (Aggravated Assault With Deadly Weapon, Assault Family Violence Impede / Breath Circulation, Interference With Emergency Request For Assistance, Unlawful Restraint) for a incident that occurred the prior date.

CCSO deputies with the assistance of the Odessa Police Department (OPD) executed a search and arrest warrant at 3294 Haley Street (residence of Manzo) on July 9, 2023 at approximately 0400 hours in an attempt to apprehend Manzo. At the time of execution Manzo was not found at the residence, therefore CCSO made another apprehension attempt later that morning.

Manzo was found on the property at 0955 hours, July 9, 2023 which lead to Crane County reaching out for assistance from the Ector County Sheriff's Office. On arrival of ECSO deputies, Manzo was confronted, made allegations being in possession of a firearm, and threatened suicide by his own means or at the hands of law enforcement. Deputies observed a bulge underneath the shirt of Manzo which indicated he was in possession of a firearm. Deputies negotiated with Manzo for several hours, until he barricaded himself inside the residence, and refused to surrender.

CCSO Administration believed Manzo was a threat to his immediate family, and believed apprehension would prevent further violence to the family as well as any law enforcement agency who attempted to apprehend him. ECSO notified the Tactical Response Team (TRT) to assist with the apprehension.

The Tactical Response Team responded and observed Manzo exit the residence and walk towards the front where law enforcement was present. It appeared Manzo would surrender until he observed the presence of the TRT team. Manzo retrieved at the sight of their presence and evaded back into his residence where he barricaded himself for several hours. Negotiations continued and Manzo exited the rear door of residence brandishing a firearm. During negotiations Manzo put the weapon down, interlocked his fingers, and placed his hands on the top of his head to surrender to law enforcement. Manzo complied and agreed to surrender as part of negotiations by a member of TRT. An arresting deputy with cover provided by TRT, approached Manzo to make the arrest. While the arresting deputy was in the immediate area of Manzo, Manzo retrieved and raised the firearm. Manzo's actions placed the arresting deputy in immediate danger of death or serious bodily injury. The cover team observed Manzo raise the weapon and fired several rounds at Manzo. The rounds fired struck Manzo several times, which left him injured and motionless. Manzo was placed in handcuffs, and TRT deputies called for emergency services which were staged in the area to provide medical care and transportation to the hospital. Emergency services arrived on scene, provided medical care, and transported Manzo to Medical Center Hospital where he succumbed to his injuries and expired.