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In-Custody Death at Intake Release Center

SANTA ANA, Calif. (July 3, 2017) – On July 3, 2017, an Orange County Sheriff's Department deputy was conducting meal distribution to inmates housed at the Intake Release Center in Santa Ana. During food delivery, the deputy found a male in his twenties, unresponsive, inside his cell.

The deputy started life-saving procedures and summoned the jail medical staff. The jail medical staff and Orange County Fire Authority personnel responded to render aid. However, the inmate was pronounced deceased at the jail by the Orange County Fire Authority.

Per protocol, the Orange County District Attorney's office has taken the primary investigative role in the custodial death investigation. While at this time a cause of death has not been confirmed, a criminal investigation is being conducted and homicide has not been ruled out.

The name of the inmate is not being released at this time, pending next of kin notification. Any future media inquiries should be directed to the Orange County District Attorney's office.

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