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Inmate Death

Location of Incident: – Yuma, AZ

On February 15, 2017, at approximately 1:30 p.m., Detention Officers working in the Yuma County Adult Detention Center were escorting an inmate from his holding cell for release procedures when he became passive aggressive with Officers. Officer's continued to give commands for the inmate to comply with orders. The inmate became physically aggressive towards officers and an electronic control device was used to gain compliance. The inmate was escorted back to the holding cell after he continued to struggle with Officers.

At approximately 1:44 p.m., Officer's monitoring the inmate observed the inmate become unresponsive and immediately requested medical assistance. The Officers and YCSO Registered Nurses performed CPR on the inmate until the Yuma Fire Department arrived on scene and transferred care. The inmate was transported to Yuma Regional Medical Center where he was pronounced deceased at 2:24 p.m.

The inmate has been identified as Jordan Stevens, 29, of Yuma, AZ.

Stevens was booked on February 15, 2017 at 6:02 a.m. by the Yuma Police Department on disorderly conduct/fighting, resisting arrest and City of Yuma Ordinance 111-04 Obedience to a Police Officer.

Sheriff's Office Investigators are currently on scene and investigating the incident. Next of kin notification has been made. Cause of death is pending a forensic autopsy that has been scheduled for later this week.

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