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In-custody death of inmate from Intake Release Center

SANTA ANA, Ca. (March 19, 2022) – On Friday, March 18, 2022, an inmate housed at the Intake Release Center in Santa Ana died at the jail.

The inmate, Ronald Garcia Lucio, Jr., 38, of Orange, was booked into jail on April 2, 2021 by the Anaheim Police Department for assault with a deadly weapon and shooting at an inhabited dwelling.

The man was pronounced deceased at the jail shortly after he was found unresponsive in his cell on Friday evening. He was housed alone at the time, and his death does not appear to be suspicious. A final cause of death will be determined following toxicology and an independent autopsy.

The Orange County District Attorney's Office will investigate the in-custody death. The Orange County Sheriff's Department will conduct an in-custody death review. No additional information will be released at this time.

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