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Re: Sheriff Reports Inmate Death – 2024-278988

Date: November 1, 2024

On October 30, 2024, just before 10:30 PM, Hernando County Sheriff's deputies and Hernando County Fire Rescue responded to a reported suicide attempt at the Hernando County Detention Center. Upon arrival, deputies observed detention center medical staff and detention deputies administering CPR to the inmate.

Shortly thereafter, fire rescue personnel arrived on the scene and assumed medical care of the inmate, continuing life-saving efforts at the scene and throughout transport to a local hospital.

The inmate, identified as Cory Joseph Tine (DOB 02-13-1977), was transferred into the care of medical staff at Tampa General Hospital in Brooksville, where he was placed on life support to stabilize his vital functions and provide critical care.

The Sheriff's Office notified Mr. Tine's next of kin, and family members were permitted to visit with him in his hospital room.

Mr. Tine was pronounced deceased on November 1, 2024, at 7:25 AM. Following these events, his family consented to organ donation, and LifeLink received authorization from the Medical Examiner to proceed with the donation.

During the investigation, it was determined that inmates in Mr. Tine's housing unit had begun lining up for the shower, reserving their place by putting clothing and personal items outside the area. Mr. Tine was first in line to use the shower. When the next inmate in line noticed a significant delay, he checked on Mr. Tine and found him hanging behind the shower curtain.

The inmate, along with others, immediately notified detention deputies, who responded swiftly, freeing Mr. Tine and initiating life-saving measures.

A thorough review of surveillance footage confirmed that Mr. Tine was alone in the shower area from the time he entered until the other inmate checked on him.

Tine, who had been housed in general population since 10-14-24, never indicated to other inmates, family, or legal counsel, that he was considering self-harm.

The investigation is ongoing, and no additional information is available at this time.