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In-custody death of inmate from Central Men's Jail

SANTA ANA, Ca. (March 8, 2022) – On Tuesday, March 8, 2022, an inmate housed at the Central Men's Jail in Santa Ana died at the hospital.

The inmate, a 65-year-old man, was booked into jail on May 15, 2020, by the Santa Ana Police Department for lewd acts with a child.

On February 3, 2022, the inmate was taken to the hospital for medical treatment. He was positive for COVID-19. A final cause of death will be determined following toxicology testing and an independent autopsy. His identification is being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

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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