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In-custody death of inmate from the Intake Release Center

SANTA ANA, Ca. (Jan. 15, 2024) – On Sunday, Jan. 14, 2024, an inmate slated to be housed at the Intake Release Center in Santa Ana died at a local hospital.

The 34-year-old male was hospitalized on Jan. 9 due to injuries sustained in a traffic collision following a pursuit with the Santa Ana Police Department. Santa Ana Police Officers initiated the vehicle stop on the male suspect who was believed to be in possession of a stolen motorcycle. He was arrested by Santa Ana PD and taken to a local hospital for treatment.

The male inmate received a bedside arraignment on Jan. 11; afterwards, the Sheriff's Department took over custody of the inmate at the hospital. The inmate's name is being withheld pending notification to next of kin.

The inmate was pronounced deceased at the hospital due to the injuries he sustained in the traffic collision.

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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