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### **In-custody Death of an Inmate from the Intake Release Center**

**SANTA ANA, Ca. (Feb. 21, 2025)** – On Friday, Feb. 21, 2025, an inmate who was housed at the Intake Release Center in Santa Ana died at a local hospital.

The inmate, Juan Vasquez Pulido, 38, no known residence, was booked into jail on Feb. 5, 2025, by the Anaheim Police Department for drug related offenses. The same day, Pulido was the victim of an assault by another inmate, Irving Josue Morales, 23, while on the booking loop of the Intake Release Center.

The assault occurred in a holding cell while both inmates were waiting to be housed. Deputies located Pulido unconscious in the holding cell and provided medical aid before he was transported to the hospital by paramedics. At the hospital, Pulido was placed into a medically-induced coma. On Feb. 21, Pulido died while at the hospital.

Initially, Morales was charged with CPC 664/187 – Attempted Murder. However, as a result of Pulido's death, additional charges for Morales may be considered by the Orange County District Attorney's Office.

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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