



San Diego County Sheriff's Department

Homicide Unit

Media Information

SUBJECT: Death Investigation

LOCATION: 1173 Front Street, San Diego

DATE/TIME: November 18, 2019 / 1:00 p.m.

DECEASED: Daniel Pickett, age 28

SUSPECT: None

The following information is fragmentary and has not been completely verified. It is based, in part, on hearsay and is intended for early information use rather than being a formal investigative report.

On September 6, 2019, deputies were conducting a security check and discovered twenty-eight-year-old Daniel Pickett unconscious inside of a cell at the San Diego Central Jail. Deputies initiated life saving measures and called for medical personnel to respond. Paramedics also responded and took over life saving measures. Despite the lifesaving efforts, Pickett was declared deceased at 11:13 p.m. at the jail. Pickett and one other inmate were housed together in the cell and no evidence of foul play was discovered. Pickett had been in custody for two days on multiple drug related charges.

The Medical Examiner has concluded their autopsy report and provided it to the Homicide Unit. They have determined the cause of death to be toxic effects of methamphetamine and the manner of death to be accidental. The Sheriff's Homicide Unit responds to investigate all in-custody deaths. The investigation is ongoing.

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