



# SAN DIEGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

## Critical Incident Review Board

### In-Custody Death Information Release

DATE OF INCIDENT: September 13, 2022

TIME: 1:15 p.m.

LOCATION: George Bailey Detention Facility

The Sheriff's Homicide Unit conducts a thorough investigation of every in-custody death. In addition to the investigation conducted by the Sheriff's Homicide Unit, the Sheriff's Critical Incident Review Board (CIRB) conducts a review of in-custody deaths. The CIRB is comprised of department leadership and the Sheriff's Legal Advisor and performs a critical review of each incident. The focus of the CIRB is to assess the department's civil exposure because of a given incident. The review may identify potential misconduct, criminal negligence or behavior, policy violations, training deficiencies, or other areas where we can improve and make our facilities safer for staff and those in our custody. This release synthesizes the reviewed incident and any resultant actions taken to improve our operations.

On September 13, 2022, at about 1:15 p.m., Sheriff's deputies responded to a housing unit at the George Bailey Detention Facility (GBDF), after an incarcerated person notified staff using the cell intercom that Incarcerated Person Raymond Dix was unresponsive inside the cell. After arriving at the cell, deputies requested Sheriff's medical personnel and immediately initiated cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). At 1:17 p.m., Sheriff's medical staff arrived to assist with lifesaving measures, including applying an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) and administering several doses of Naloxone.

At about 1:30 p.m., San Diego Fire Department personnel arrived and took over lifesaving measures. Paramedics transported Dix to the Sharp Chula Vista Medical Center at 2:11 p.m. Despite the efforts of emergency responders and hospital staff, a doctor pronounced Raymond Dix deceased at 2:35 p.m. As is the protocol for all in-custody deaths, the San Diego Sheriff's Homicide Unit investigated this incident.

An investigator from the San Diego County Medical Examiner's Office took custody of Mr. Dix's remains and conducted an independent investigation and post-mortem examination. The Medical Examiner's Office found Dix to have an enlarged heart and extensive heart disease. Additionally, Dix tested positive for fentanyl during a presumptive test. Further testing and evaluation was deemed necessary to determine the cause and manner of death, and the final Medical Examiner's report is pending completion. (ME Case #2022-03101)

The CIRB conducted a preliminary review of this incident on October 12, 2022, with no policy recommendations or action items at that time.