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UPDATE: Inmate Found Unresponsive in Cell, Dies

The Medical Examiner released the final report in this investigation. No foul play was found. The cause of death was determined to be of natural causes.

ORIGINAL RELEASE:

Monday morning about 12:30 A.M., an inmate in the Leon County Detention Facility, 36-year-old Erica K. Portillo, was found unresponsive in her cell during a routine check of the pod. Life saving measures were started by Facility staff and an ambulance was called. Portillo was transported to a local hospital. Portillo was last checked by Facility staff in her cell about 11:55 P.M. the night before. She appeared to be in no distress at that time.

Portillo was pronounced deceased yesterday afternoon and an autopsy was done by the Medical Examiner this morning.

Portillo was arrested by the Tallahassee Police Department on November 27, 2019 and booked into the Leon County Detention Facility. She was charged with Battery and Violation of Pretrial Release Condition.

This incident is continuing to be investigated and will be updated when the investigation is complete.



DECEASED: Erica K. Portillo

AGE: 36



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