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In-Custody Death of Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office Resident

(CHARLOTTE, NC) – The Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) is currently investigating the death of a 62-year-old, Black male resident, who was housed at the Mecklenburg County Detention Center-Central (801 E. Fourth Street) since June 2025.

On Sunday, August 31, 2025, at approximately 5:35 am, a medical emergency was called by a detention officer in the housing unit where the resident was assigned after he was discovered to be unresponsive. Lifesaving measures were administered and continued until emergency medical personnel arrived. The Charlotte Fire Department arrived along with Mecklenburg EMS (MEDIC) and continued lifesaving efforts. The resident was pronounced deceased at approximately 6:13 am. More details will be released once next of kin has been notified.

Future requests for the resident's health information may not be disclosed as it is protected by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

Sheriff McFadden: *"I have the unfortunate duty of announcing the death of a resident within our facility. A loss of life is never easy, and once we can notify their family, we will extend our deepest sympathies to them during this difficult time."*

The State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) will conduct a thorough in-custody death investigation as the medical examiner determines the cause of death.

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