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Deputies Respond to Medical Emergency Inside the Mecklenburg County Courthouse

(CHARLOTTE, NC) – This afternoon, three Mecklenburg County Detention Center residents were found unresponsive inside the holding cell area of the Mecklenburg County Courthouse. Deputies responded quickly to the medical emergency and promptly notified Mecklenburg County EMS (MEDIC), the Charlotte Fire Department, and the detention center healthcare service provider Wellpath who all responded shortly thereafter. All three residents were treated on the scene during the emergency response and were responsive as they were being transported to Atrium Health Carolinas Medical Center (CMC) for additional treatment and evaluation.

For reasons of safety, security, and medical privacy, the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) will not be releasing the names of the residents involved. An investigation is underway to determine the cause of the medical emergency.

"I am proud of my staff and our first responder partners exemplary handling of this incident," said Sheriff McFadden. "MCSO staff is dedicated to consistent training, enabling them to respond effectively to any given situation, as they demonstrated today. We will continue to remain committed to ensuring the safety and care of all residents within the Mecklenburg County Detention Center."

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