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☐ Incident Report ☐ Communications Report / CAD ☐ Inmate Booking Report

Case SR2019-04150 Printed on January 31, 2022

Status	Approved
Report Type	General Incident Report
Primary Officer	William Oggenfuss
Investigator	None
Reported At	07/10/19 16:35
Incident Date	07/10/19 16:35 - 07/10/19 16:35
Incident Code	139SA : SUICIDE ATTEMPTED
Location	216 C DAVID STONE RD, PICKENS, SC 29671
Zone	1
Beat	
Disposition	A-Active
Disposition Date/Time	07/16/19 08:33
Review for Gang Activity	None
Status Indicator	Administratively Closed
Status Change Date	7/16/19
Warrant Obtained?	No

Offense Information

Offense	ATTEMPTED SUICIDE
Statute	
SCIBRS Code	980 - Suicide
Counts	1
Date	7/10/19
Include In NIBRS	Yes
Completed	No
Bias Motivation	None (no bias)
Location	Jail/Prison
Entry Forced	No
Forces Used	Strangulation/Hanging

Offender

COX, BRADLEY GARRISON
[redacted]/79
[redacted]

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE

Victim

COX, BRADLEY GARRISON
[redacted]/79
[redacted]

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE

Initial Narrative By William Oggenfuss, 07/10/19 16:48

On the date of 07/10/2019 Inmate Bradley Cox was brought into the Pickens County Detention Center by Pickens City Police Department after attempting to escape the hospital. Once at the jail Sgt. Chris Griffin with the Pickens City Police Department advised us that Inmate Cox was possibly sprayed with OC. I OFC William Oggenfuss called for the nurse check to ensure that he was medically okay to be accepted back into the detention center. The nurse once responded and cleared Inmate Cox. Once he was cleared Officer Chance Krigbaum and I conducted a strip search on Inmate Cox to make sure he wasn't hiding any contraband. After the search Inmate Cox was escorted to take a shower and then moved to a detox cell during this time Inmate Cox did not appear or express that he was suicidal nor did he give any indication that he was going to harm himself. He was placed into a detox cell. At approximately 3:55 P.M Officer Krigbaum stepped to the detox hallway to check on detox 3 due to the camera being covered. Officer Krigbaum then called for assistants. Officer Toby Hendricks and I responded to the detox hall. Once on the hallway I noticed Officer Krigbaum was already in the detox cell. I entered the cell I noticed Inmate Cox sitting on the floor with some type makeshift rope around his neck and the other end tied to the call box. I helped Officer Krigbaum get Inmate Cox loose and lowered to the ground. I then instructed Officer Hendricks to get the nurse while Officer Krigbaum called for an ambulance. I noticed Inmate Cox was blue in the facial area as well as on his hands and feet. I had Officer Krigbaum help me pull Inmate Cox out of the cell and onto the detox hall way floor. Once on the hallway I checked for a pulse and was unable to feel one so I immediately began CPR with chest compression only. The nurse arrived a few moments later with Det. Shannon Ellenburg. We continued to do CPR. Officer Krigbaum then sent Officer Hendricks to get the AED from the control room. Once we had the AED, we used it on Inmate Cox and continued CPR. We continued CPR till the fire department and EMS arrived and took over at approximately 4:20 P.M. Inmate Cox was transported to Greenville Memorial Hospital by Emergency Services. After Inmate Cox was gone I assisted forensics at securing the scene for SLED. SLED arrived and is investigating the incident.

Supplemental Narrative By Chance Krigbaum, 07/11/19 09:33

I, Chance Krigbaum, on the date of July 10, 2019 was working in the Pickens county Detention center. I had just finished my shift in the Pod when I started heading up front to start my shift in the control room. When I reached the control room I was informed Inmate Bradley Cox had recently assaulted the transport officer and escaped but was once again in custody. I was informed by Officer Oggenfuss that we have been told to give Inmate Cox a shower then move him into a detox cell. We moved Inmate Cox to B-Block to receive a shower. After his shower Inmate Cox was moved to detox cell 3. I, Officer Krigbaum, and Officer Oggenfuss went up front to help out with bond hearing among other control responsibilities. After finishing up the bond hearings I looked up at the camera monitor to see detox 3's camera is covered. I immediately told my supervisor and she told me to go check on him. After his most recent attempt at escape I decided to bring the Taser along in case he was making another attempt. I reached the detox door window and looked inside to see nothing but the empty cell. It wasn't until I looked at the floor close to the door to see him in a seated position motionless. I had the Taser pulled out in case he was waiting to attack, but as soon as I opened the door I saw he was unconscious and holstered the Taser. I immediately called for assistance over the radio. Once the door was open I noticed a make shift rope around Inmate Cox's neck. I immediately attempted to pick Inmate Cox up to relieve pressure. Officers Oggenfuss and Hendricks arrived on the detox hall to assist. Officer Oggenfuss began to help me get the make shift rope off Inmate Cox's neck. Officer Oggenfuss and I pulled Inmate Cox out of the cell and onto the floor of the detox hall while Officer Hendricks went to call for help and retrieve the nurse. Officer Oggenfuss, once the body was clear, began CPR on Inmate Cox. I Officer Krigbaum called over the radio to control to call in an ambulance. Detective Shannon Ellenburg and the nurse arrived to feel a pulse as Officer Oggenfuss stayed steady with chest compressions. There was no pulse but the chest compressions continued as the nurse used a CPR shield to give air in the off times of the compressions. Officer Hendricks retrieved the AED and Officer Oggenfuss, along with Detective Ellenburg, began setting it up with the nurse as I started giving chest compressions. EMS arrived and took over giving CPR. Inmate Cox was transported to Greenville Memorial hospital by

Emergency services. I rode with EMS to the hospital while another Deputy followed behind. Once at the hospital Inmate Cox was taken to have several tests done to determine his status. Once relieved from the hospital I returned to the detention center to give a statement to SLED who is handling the investigation.

Supplemental Narrative By Jessica Hamilton, 07/11/19 12:11

On the date of 7/10/2019, I, Sgt. J. Hamilton, was working in the Pickens County Detention Center as the shift supervisor. Inmate Bradley Cox had a scheduled doctor's apt. at 1300 hrs. Shortly after that, Pickens City transported Inmate Cox back and stated that he need to be decontaminated from being pepper sprayed. I was also advised that he escaped and was apprehended. Upon arrival, Cox requested to shower and to go back to the hospital because he stated he was hit in the back of the head. The Nurse on duty did provide medical assistance. Cox was also stripped searched and placed into B block for a shower, while being supervised by two male officers. Later in the day, Myself, Officer C. Krigbaum, and Officer W. Oggenfuss were in the control room working, when Krigbaum notified me that detox 3's camera was covered. Officer C. Krigbaum responded to check on Inmate B. Cox and immediately asked for assistance over the radio. Officer W. Oggenfuss responded to Krigbaum and then I was notified to have EMS respond. I notified dispatch that I needed an ambulance for an Inmate, but was not certain about medical conditions or statuses. Responding Officers then updated me that he attempted to hang himself. While still on the line with dispatch, I advised them that it was an attempted suicide and that officers were performing chest compressions. I then notified my immediate supervisor, Captain M. Nix. I remained in the control room as shift supervisors and never responded to the crime scene. Nothing further to report.

Supplemental Narrative By Tony Robinson, 07/11/19 13:39

I responded to the detox hallway of the Detention Center on 07/10/2019 in reference to an inmate who had been found hanging in his cell. Upon arrival I observed E.M.S. and Rescue personnel performing CPR on inmate, Bradley Cox. Once transported I entered the area nd began taking photographs of the hallway and detox cell. I was then informed by Sheriff Clark that S.L.E.D. had been notified and they would document the scene and collect evidence. Forensic Detectives' Langston, Raines and I secured the scene until they arrived. The initial photographs that I took were placed on a DVD and turned over to S.L.E.D. I also retrieved a hand-made braided string that Detective Shannon Ellenburg had placed in an evidence locker. Detective Ellenburg had taken this when she responded to the Detention Center to assist when the hanging was initially discovered. I signed this piece of evidence over to Special Agent Margaret Pauli of S.L.E.D. Crime Scene.

Supplemental Narrative By Anthony Raines, 07/11/19 15:18

On 7/10/2019 I, Deputy Raines, was advised by Captain Nix that medical aid was needed in the Pickens County Detention Center hallway and told to escort EMS to the location. I immediately escorted Pickens County EMS employee Looper to the scene. Once I arrived I saw Detention Officer Krigbaum performing CPR on a subject on the hallway floor. I was approached by Detective Shannon Ellenburg who showed me an orange and white braided string which she advised she had removed from the subject. Detective Ellenburg advised that the subject had apparently attempted suicide by hanging inside Detox cell 3. I immediately secured the door to the cell and advised Detective Ellenburg to secure the item she collected in an evidence locker. Lt Robinson arrived on scene and took preliminary photographs of the scene. I remained at the cell door maintaining security until it was locked preventing any unauthorized entry. As EMS loaded the subject onto the ambulance I advised the paramedics that the clothing worn by the subject should be secured as evidence. One of the paramedics on board passed the orange jail pants out and I took custody of them. After the subject was removed from the area, I taped off the hallway area in front of Detox cells 1, 2, and 3. I remained just outside the hallway and allowed restricted access to the area only for essential detention operations (feeding and inmate care). SLED Forensics arrived on scene and the scene was released to them. The orange jail pants were placed in evidence.

Supplemental Narrative By Shannon Ellenburg, 07/12/19 12:00

On July 10, 2019, I, Detective Ellenburg, was in the control room of the Pickens County Detention Center collecting paperwork for victim's services. I entered the control room sometime shortly after 3:15 pm. While there, Officer Krigbaum verbalized that the camera in Detox Cell #3 was covered and he was going to go and check it. A short time later, Officer Oggenfuss and Officer Hendricks ran from the control room towards the lobby. I inquired with Sgt. Hamilton if I should assist them with something and she advised it would be appropriate. I responded to the

Detox hallway and located Officer Oggenfuss performing CPR compressions on an inmate. The inmate was lying flat on his back in the main hallway area and was not wearing a shirt. I advised Officer Krigbaum and Officer Hendricks to make sure 911 had been alerted and to find the AED machine and bring it to our location. I then bent down to assist Officer Oggenfuss and he advised to remove an item from the inmate's neck. I observed a small orange and white braided rope around the inmate's neck. The rope was loose and I was able to easily slip it over the inmate's head. I also observed the inmate's head and face area to be discolored with a blue tint. Officer Oggenfuss then advised he had a CPR mask on his belt. One of the original responding officers was back on scene and was positioned beside Officer Oggenfuss so I advised him to remove the mask from Officer Oggenfuss' belt. He then handed the mask package to me and I opened it for use. During this time, the on-duty nurse arrived on scene, along with the other detention officer in possession of the AED machine. I handed the CPR mask off to the nurse to begin rescue breathes and I prepared the AED machine for use. Officer Oggenfuss and I positioned the AED pads on the inmate and I activated the machine for analysis. The machine advised to continue compressions. The machine cycled 2 to 3 times during our response efforts and each time it advised "no shock" and to "continue compressions". The machine never alerted us to a heart rhythm. During this time, I instructed Officer Oggenfuss and Officer Krigbaum to rotate giving compressions to alleviate any fatigue from setting in. The nurse maintained the position of administering rescue breaths. I also checked the inmate's pulse multiple times, at least once in his neck area and a few times in his left wrist area. I was never able to detect a pulse.

Once EMS personnel arrived on scene, I cleared the immediate area of the inmate to allow them to take over rescue efforts. At this point, Officer Krigbaum asked me if he should move some items that were in the hallway out of the way. He pointed to a green jail mat folded in half on the floor in the hallway outside the door of Detox Cell #3. I advised him to leave all of the items, including the cell area, undisturbed to maintain the integrity of the scene. I then retrieved the orange and white rope I had removed from the inmate's neck from the floor area near his head. The item was secured in a PCSO evidence locker and logged into evidence.

Later in the evening, SLED requested I complete a voluntary statement regarding the events of this incident, which I did complete. A copy of my statement was provided to me by the Agent and subsequently provided to Capt. Brooks by me. Nothing further to report.

Supplemental Narrative By Toby Hendricks, 07/21/19 06:41

I Officer Toby Hendricks responded to an incident on the day of 7/10/2019 involving inmate Bradley Cox. I was assigned to work the hallway the moment before responding to the incident I was using the restroom. I passed the hallway keys off to Officer William Oggenfuss in case of emergency while I was in the restroom and we were discussing female lock-down showers and phone calls. That's when officer Chance Krigbaum called for assistance me and Officer William Oggenfuss responded. When I arrived on scene inmate Bradley Cox was still hanging from a make shift device inmate Bradly Cox appeared to be blue in the face and arms Officer Chance Krigbaum Was trying to assist inmate Bradley Cox. I witnessed Officer William Oggenfuss pull down the make shift device inmate Bradley Cox was hanging from that's when Officer William Oggenfuss directed me to get the AED along with the nurse. As I went to get the nurse the nurses door was locked I had to knock on the door to her the nurses attention. I then ask where the AED was located due to the fact I have not been working here for a long duration of time. I was directed to the control room where I then ask Sargent Jessica Hamilton where the AED was located. Once I retrieved the AED and was running back to assist with the incident involving inmate Bradley Cox the AED was accident dropped around the male visitation area.

Once I Arrived back on scene I gave the AED to Detective Ellenburg she then began to use the AED on inmate Bradley Cox as CPR was being administered. The AED advised that no shock was needed the AED advised no shock

needed twice that I remember. Officer Chance Krigbaum then told me to get the 40 key which opens the door closest to the exit door near the pod someone propped open the door along with the opposite door closest to the medical office. I then moved the mats out of the hallway to make room for EMS personnel shortly after EMS personnel arrived I was told to get the medical file for inmate Bradley Cox I retrieved the medical file and gave it to EMS personnel and EMS personnel took over CPR and began treatment on inmate Bradley cox. Moments later I assisted Officer William Oggenfuss in getting the back brace from the ambulance. Officer William Oggenfuss carried the back brace while I carried the foam neck support myself and Officer William Oggenfuss also retrieved straps for the stretcher from the ambulance. When we arrived back on scene we gave the medical supplies to EMS personnel. EMS personnel along with employees from the Pickens county sheriffs office placed inmate Bradley cox on the back brace and lifted him up and placed inmate Bradley Cox on the stretcher. I assisted in placing the stretcher underneath Bradley Cox once inmate Bradley Cox was place on the stretcher he was secured and led out the door closest to the pod the ambulance had been moved around to the back gate next to the pod to better assist inmate Bradley Cox it was also in better placement to get the stretcher out of the hallway Officer Chance Krigbaum was told to go to the hospital with inmate Bradley Cox Deputy Shane Brummitt was standing beside the ambulance while we escorted inmate Bradley cox into the ambulance. I returned inside and was told by someone in forensics who had taken pictures of the scene that it was then ok to clean up the hall way just as inmate Rossie Hicklin and myself was about to clean up the hallway sheriff Rick Clarke told us to leave the hallway as it is. As forensics finished taking pictures I was told to lock the cell door and the scene was taped off.

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CFS - Unit Response Times — Printed on February 1, 2022

CFS #	P19-49783
Call Taker	Lakay Blakely
Location	216 C DAVID STONE RD, PICKENS, SC 29671
Location Details	
Primary Incident Code	SIG083 : CARDIAC ARREST
Priority	1
Use Caution	No
Primary Disposition	TRANSPORT
Beat	
Call Time	07/10/19 15:57:33
Completed Time	07/10/19 17:12:26

Reporters

PCSO-DETENTION (Initial Reporter)

Sex	
DOB	
Address	
Report Time	07/10/19 15:57:33
How Reported	
From Phone	
Contact Phone	
Comments	

Other Names

Vehicles

Responders

-04PFD (Primary)	Station 4	04PFD (Primary)
-E04-1		04PFD (Primary)
ECHO5	ECHO5 - ECHO5	EMS
M1 (Primary)	M1	EMS
-R7 (Primary)	Res 7	R7

Response Times

Assigned	07/10/19 15:58:41
Enroute	07/10/19 15:59:52
Arrived	07/10/19 16:03:22
Leaving	07/10/19 16:26:50
Arrived At	07/10/19 16:49:29
Completed	07/10/19 17:12:26

IR / External Agency Numbers

04PFD1900243
EMS1908660
R71900018

Unit Response Times

Non Unit Specific Times

07/10/19 15:57:33 | New CFS
07/10/19 15:57:57 | INMATE HAS POSSIBLY ATTEMPTED SUICIDE
07/10/19 15:59:30 | INMATE HAS HUNG HIS SELF /ADVISED CPR IS IN PROGRESS
07/10/19 16:30:48 | GHS NOTIFIED
07/10/19 16:35:00 | CALL TIME IS 15:58

-04PFD

07/10/19 16:01:48 | Clear Alarms
07/10/19 16:01:50 | Clear Alarms
07/10/19 16:02:04 | Available

-E04-1

07/10/19 15:59:52 | Enroute
07/10/19 16:04:41 | On Scene
07/10/19 16:07:52 | Clear Alarms
07/10/19 16:07:54 | Clear Alarms
07/10/19 16:30:44 | Available

-R7

07/10/19 16:01:49 | Clear Alarms
07/10/19 16:01:51 | Clear Alarms
07/10/19 16:01:52 | Clear Alarms
07/10/19 16:02:13 | Remarks - NO RESPONSE
07/10/19 16:02:15 | Available

ECHO5

07/10/19 16:00:12 | Enroute
07/10/19 16:04:55 | On Scene
07/10/19 16:29:39 | Available (Location: In Service)

M1

07/10/19 16:00:50 | Enroute
07/10/19 16:03:22 | On Scene
07/10/19 16:06:43 | Clear Alarms
07/10/19 16:26:50 | 1017S (Location: GREENVILLE HOSP SYS)
07/10/19 16:49:29 | 1023S (Location: GREENVILLE HOSP SYS)
07/10/19 17:12:26 | Available

M1, -R7, -04PFD

07/10/19 15:58:41 | DISPATCH



Bradley Garrison Cox

June 21, 1979 ~ July 12, 2019 (age 40)

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Obituary

Bennttsville, SC

Bradley “Brad” Garrison Cox, age 40, passed away on Friday, July 12, 2019 at Greenville Memorial Hospital.

Brad was born on June 21, 1979 in Bennettsville to Gary Mitchell Cox "Kathi" and Delorice Blue Barrington "Jerry". He was a graduate of Marlboro County High School and was a welder by trade. Brad was a true outdoors man, he liked hunting, water sports and was a pretty good handyman. He also enjoyed working on race cars and watching NASCAR. Most of all, he enjoyed spending time with family and friends. He was a member of Salem Baptist Church.

Left behind to cherish Brad’s memory; his parents listed above; sisters, Erika Cox Mills “Robert” of Fl[illegible]NC., Crystal Barrington Clark “Tate” of Bennettsville; [illegible]ville; paternal grandmother, Noraleen Cox of Asheboro, NC; nieces and nephews, Trey and Lauren Mills, Emery and Maddie Crotts; and a special friend and companion, Hope Lewis of Greenville, SC..

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Brrad was preceded in death a maternal grandfather, Robert Blue; and a paternal grandfather, Reuben Cox.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 20, 2019 at 3:00 P.M. at Salem Baptist Church. A visitation will be held from 1:00 to 3:00 P.M. prior to the memorial service.

Memorials may be made to Salem Baptist Church Cemetery 1618 Salem Rd. Bennettsville, S.C. 29512 or Blue Family Cemetery in care of Roberta Boney, 202 Meadow Lane Bennettsville, SC. 29512.

Online condolences may be made to www.bfhbennettsville.com.

Burroughs Funeral Home is honored to be assisting the Cox family.

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Services

VISITATION
Saturday
July 20, 2019
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM
Salem Baptist Church
1618 Salem Road
Bennettsville, South Carolina 29512

Directions (https://maps.google.com/?q=1618+Salem+Road,+Bennettsville,+South+Carolina+29

Text Details

Email Details

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I'm keeping you and your family in my prayers,I'm so sorry for your loss



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My thoughts and prayers are with you all.



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