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Male Inmate Death at Adult Detention Center

FCSO CIS Investigating

FREDERICK, Md. (Jan. 20, 2021) – The Frederick County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) Criminal Investigation Section (CIS) is investigating the death of an male inmate at the Frederick County Adult Detention Center (ADC) that occurred earlier today.

Chris Lee Myers, age 41, of Jefferson, Maryland, was found deceased in his cell, at approximately 7 a.m., by correctional staff conducting routine headcount. FCSO ADC Correctional Officers immediately initiated life-saving efforts, which were unsuccessful.

Evidence found by investigators indicates suicide by hanging. Myers was on administrative segregation due to a recent unsuccessful escape attempt. There was no indication to ADC and medical staff that he was a threat to himself and was not on suicide watch. All documented logs confirmed that staff made the required cell checks throughout the day, with last contact at approximately 6:30 a.m.

Myers was in the ADC, awaiting trial on the charges of murder in the first and second degree, assault in the first and second degree, arson in the first degree, reckless endangerment, and a violation of parole.

Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) personnel transported Myers' body to the OCME office in Baltimore where they will conduct an autopsy. FCSO personnel made all next of kin notifications.

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