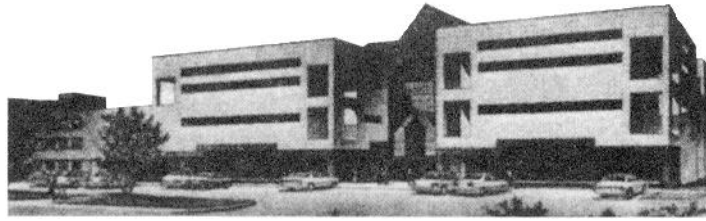




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Jail In Custody Death

On Tuesday, January 17th, 2023, at 6:05 a.m., a 34-year-old inmate was found unresponsive in his cell during a routine check. Correctional staff immediately began lifesaving efforts. Additional help was requested from on-site jail medical personnel as well as the Waukesha Fire Department. Unfortunately, the lifesaving efforts were unsuccessful, and the male was pronounced deceased in the jail. The inmate was in custody since January 16th, 2023, on a probation hold through the Department of Corrections.

Wisconsin State Statute 175.47 requires an outside agency to lead all investigations involving officer-involved deaths. This in-custody death investigation does not fall under the statute; however, the Washington County Sheriff's Department was requested to complete the investigation in the interest of transparency as well as public trust.

No additional information is available at this time as the investigation is being conducted by the Washington County Sheriff's Department.

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