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TYPE OF INCIDENT: UPDATE; Inmate Recovered from COVID-19

LOCATION: Main Jail, 150 W. Hedding Street, San Jose, CA 95110

DETAILS:

On Friday, March 20, 2020, the San Jose Police Department arrested and transported a 31-year-old male to the Main Jail in San Jose. During the booking process, the male reported feeling sick and advised that a family member had just returned from Europe a few days earlier. The male was immediately masked and taken to an isolation cell in the booking area. After the booking process was completed, the inmate was taken to the infirmary, isolated, and underwent the testing process for COVID-19.

On Sunday, March 22, 2020, medical staff learned that the inmate was positive for COVID-19. The inmate remains quarantined and is being closely monitored by medical staff. The San Jose Police Department was notified of the possible exposure to the initial arresting officer(s).

As a precaution, custody medical staff has been screening new arrestees outside the jail in the sally port area. Healthcare staff is asking the individuals if they have a dry cough, shortness of breath, fever, or exposure to anyone with COVID-19.

UPDATE:

Per Custody Health Staff, the inmate has since recovered from COVID-19 and has been moved back to his normal housing unit. As of Wednesday 4/1/2020, we have no known inmates with COVID-19.

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