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TYPE OF INCIDENT: UPDATE; Inmate Confirmed Positive for COVID-19

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

DETAILS:

On Monday, April 6, 2020, the San Jose Police Department arrested and transported a 25-year-old homeless male to the Main Jail in San Jose. During the booking process, the male self-reported exposure to COVID-19 through a friend. The male was immediately masked and taken to the infirmary, where he was isolated until his test came back positive late last night.

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) by the Sheriff's COVID-19 Investigations Unit as part of contact tracing.

This is the second confirmed inmate that tested positive for COVID-19 in the Santa Clara County Main Jail. As previously reported, the first inmate that was positive with COVID-19 has since recovered and is no longer in-custody.

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.

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