



Ellis County Sheriff's Office
Brad Norman, Sheriff

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Ref: Case# 25.023462 – Death Investigation

Waxahachie, Texas – On Tuesday, November 11, 2025, in the early morning hours, an inmate at the Ellis County Sheriff's Office – *Wayne McCollum Detention Center* was found unconscious by detention staff with an apparent self-inflicted injury. Our nursing staff immediately responded and rendered aid until emergency medical services arrived.

The inmate, identified as Vince Lee Espino, 42 years of age, of Ennis, Texas, was transported to Baylor Scott & White Hospital in Waxahachie, where he was later pronounced deceased.

Mr. Espino had been arrested in October 2025 by the Ennis Police Department on narcotics-related charges and was subsequently booked into the Ellis County Jail.

As is standard practice, I have requested the Texas Rangers to conduct an independent investigation into this incident. While that investigation is ongoing, I will not be releasing any additional details at this time.

Our thoughts are with the family of Mr. Espino, and we remain committed to full cooperation with the investigative process.

Thank you, ***Sheriff Brad Norman***



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