

# Santa Barbara County Sheriff



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Reported Date  
03/30/2021

Officer  
ESPARZA, R

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## Administrative Information

Agency <b>Santa Barbara County Sheriff</b>	Report No <b>21-3520</b>	Supplement No <b>0012</b>	Reported Date <b>03/30/2021</b>	Reported Time <b>08:50</b>	Status <b>Offense</b>
Report Type <b>Outside Agency Assist</b>	Location <b>N H ST/E WALNUT AV</b>				
City <b>Lompoc City</b>	ZIP Code <b>93436</b>	Rep Dist <b>L155</b>	Area <b>3</b>	Beat <b>LO</b>	From Date <b>03/28/2021</b>
From Time <b>20:04</b>	Officer <b>3541/ESPARZA, R</b>	Assignment <b>CID DETECTIVES</b>	Entered by <b>3541</b>	Assignment <b>CID DETECTIVES</b>	
Confidential <b>LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER INVOLVED</b>	RMS Transfer <b>Successful</b>	Prop Trans Stat <b>Successful</b>	Approving Officer <b>3495</b>		
Approval Date <b>04/26/2021</b>	Approval Time <b>08:16:44</b>				

## Summary Narrative

This report will document death notification.

### Next of Kin 1:

Involvement <b>Next of Kin</b>	Invl No <b>1</b>	Type <b>Individual</b>	Name [REDACTED]	MNI <b>1013669</b>
Race [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]			
ZIP Code <b>93436</b>	Date <b>03/30/2021</b>			
Type <b>Operator License</b>	ID No [REDACTED]	OLS <b>California</b>		
Phone Type <b>Cell</b>	Phone No [REDACTED]	Date <b>03/30/2021</b>		

## Property

Item <b>1</b>	Agency <b>Santa Barbara County Sheriff</b>	Report No <b>21-3520</b>	Original Incident <b>21-3520</b>	Original supplement <b>0012</b>	Involvement <b>Evidence</b>
Invl Date <b>03/30/2021</b>	In Custody? <b>Yes</b>	Security <b>No</b>	Tag No <b>09070591</b>	Item No <b>1</b>	Value <b>\$0.00</b>
Description <b>CD - Death notification</b>				Typ <b>A</b>	Cat <b>Other</b>
Article <b>Miscellaneous items</b>	Entered Date <b>04/22/2021</b>	Entered Time <b>13:03</b>	RMS Transfer <b>Successful</b>	Control <b>3541 0422211306</b>	

## Narrative

### RELATIONSHIPS:

[REDACTED] is the suspect's mother and next of kin.

### EVIDENCE:

Contact with [REDACTED] was captured with my department issued digital recorder. The recording was transferred onto a CD and booked into evidence.

### NARRATIVE:

On Monday, 3-29-21, at approximately 0900 hours, I received notification from Crime Scene Technician Amezola that they had confirmed the suspect's identification as, Yvette Krystella Ruiz (a.k.a Krys Brandon Ruiz). I conducted a search to attempt to identify the suspect's next of kin and located the suspect's mother, Dionne R.

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Espinoza. [REDACTED] had a documented address at [REDACTED] in Lompoc.

At approximately 1323 hours, Detective Vasquez and I made contact with [REDACTED], who was home alone. After opening the door, [REDACTED] allowed us into her home. After asking her to sit down, I asked her if her daughter was, Yvette Ruiz. [REDACTED] told me Yvette was transgender and had changed his name to Krys. I then advised her about Lompoc Police Department's confrontation with Krys that ended with Lompoc PD firing and killing Krys.

[REDACTED] told me she had read the incident involved the suspect having a gun and inquired if Krys had a gun. I advised her that the incident was still being investigated so I was unable to provide her with any specific details.

[REDACTED] told me Krys had been living at [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] became emotional and stated, "We had such a long road with Krys". [REDACTED] She described Krys as being in much pain and mentally suffered a lot.

Espinoza stated that she and her husband had gone out of town this weekend and asked Krys to stay at the house to babysit his younger sister while they were gone. They returned home on 3-28-21 at around 1840 hours. Upon getting home, they began to prepare dinner and asked Krys if he wanted to stay for dinner, but he declined. Krys told her he was not feeling well and asked her to drive him home. She recalled dropping him off at his residence at around 1930 hours.

Krys did not have any children and had not been dating anyone, which was part of his loneliness. Being transgender made it difficult for him to tap into a positive community to date. She described Krys as being a, "very lonely and tortured person". [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] called her husband and requested he return home to be with her. We remained with her until her husband returned home. I provided [REDACTED] a Sheriff's business card with my contact information and asked her to contact me with any additional information or questions.

### CASE DISPOSITION:

Follow-up report, investigation ongoing