



**Death of Incarcerated Individual at the Bridgeport
Correctional Center Under Investigation**

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(BRIDGEPORT, CT) —The death of an incarcerated individual at the Bridgeport Correctional Center is under investigation.

At approximately 7:35 p.m. on June 17, 2026, upon returning to his cell an incarcerated individual discovered his cellmate lying on the floor with a ligature around his neck, unresponsive. He alerted facility staff who responded and immediately initiated lifesaving measures.

Staff members continued to perform CPR until the arrival of a local ambulance company, who then transported the individual to an outside hospital for treatment.

Shortly after arriving at the hospital, the individual was pronounced deceased at 8:28 p.m.

The Connecticut State Police and the Office of the Inspector General are investigating the death.

The individual is being identified as 41-year-old Said Khaled Youssef of Queens, NY. He was being held on several charges and had a bond of \$20,000. Yousseff entered the Department of Correction system on June 16, 2026.

The exact cause of death will be determined by the State Medical Examiner's Office.

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