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Federal Correctional Institution
Waseca, Minnesota

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Death at FCI Waseca

WASECA, MN: On Tuesday, July 28, 2026, at approximately 10:30 a.m., Hilda Rosalie Howard became unresponsive at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Waseca in Waseca, Minnesota.

Responding employees initiated life-saving measures. Emergency medical services (EMS) were requested while life-saving efforts continued. Ms. Howard was subsequently pronounced deceased by EMS personnel.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation was notified.

No employees or other inmates were injured, and at no time was the public in danger.

Ms. Howard was a 35-year-old female who was sentenced in the District of Minnesota to an 80-month sentence for Conspiracy to Sex Traffic a Minor. She had been in custody at FCI Waseca since April 3, 2026.

FCI Waseca is a low security facility.

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