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Federal Correctional Institution
Leavenworth, Kansas

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**Death at FCI Leavenworth**

LEAVENWORTH, KS: On Sunday, October 18, 2026, at approximately 7:55 a.m., Jacob Ray Owens was found unresponsive at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Leavenworth in Leavenworth, Kansas.

Responding employees initiated life-saving measures. Emergency medical services (EMS) were requested while life-saving efforts continued. Mr. Owens was transported by EMS to a local hospital for further treatment and evaluation.

Subsequently, on Thursday, October 22, 2026, Mr. Owens was pronounced deceased by hospital personnel.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation was notified.

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

Mr. Owens was a 33-year-old male who was sentenced in the Western District of Texas to a 324-month sentence for Conspiracy to Possess with Intent to Distribute 50 Grams or More of Actual Methamphetamine. He had been in custody at FCI Leavenworth since December 26, 2024

FCI Leavenworth is a medium security facility.

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