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Santa Clara County
55 W. Younger Avenue
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PRESS RELEASE

TYPE OF INCIDENT: Death Investigation

LOCATION: 10000 block of Garcia Lane, Gilroy

CASE NUMBER: 23-037-0263G

DETAILS:

On 02/06/2023 at approximately 1505 hours, Sheriff Deputies were dispatched to a residence to assist CalFire at the 10000 block of Garcia Lane, in unincorporated Gilroy. Upon arrival, deputies located 4 unresponsive adults inside the residence. Deputies immediately provided medical aid and administered Narcan in an attempt to save lives.

Unfortunately, 3 adults inside the residence were pronounced deceased by Cal Fire, and 1 adult was transported to a nearby hospital. Sheriff's Detectives from the Special Enforcement Division and Crime Scene Investigators (CSI) responded to the scene. The Sheriff's Office suspects fentanyl involvement, although the Medical Examiner-Coroner's Office will determine the official cause of death.

The Sheriff's Office wants to remind the community of the serious dangers involved with fentanyl use. According to the Drug Enforcement Agency, Fentanyl remains the deadliest drug threat facing this country.* Just 2 milligrams of fentanyl, or the amount that fits on the tip of a pencil, is considered a potentially deadly dose. Victims can also unknowingly take fentanyl when it's clandestinely laced in fake prescription pills or other drugs.

The identity of the deceased victims will be released by the Santa Clara County Medical Examiner-Coroner's Office after they confirm the identity and notify the next of kin. Our hearts go out to the victims' families. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office at (408) 808-4500. Alternatively, you can contact the Sheriff's Office Investigative Services anonymous tip line at (408) 808-4431.

*<https://www.dea.gov/alert/dea-laboratory-testing-reveals-6-out-10-fentanyl-laced-fake-prescription-pills-now-contain#:~:text=Fentanyl%20remains%20the%20deadliest%20drug,considered%20a%20potentially%20deadly%20dose>.

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