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Investigation underway into suicide attempt

Port Orchard, Wash. -- Kitsap County Sheriff's detectives and patrol officers from Port Orchard Police Department have initiated an investigation into a suicide attempt by an inmate in the Kitsap County Jail.

The male inmate, age 20, was found hanging in his jail cell at approximately 12:25 p.m. today by a corrections officer conducting hourly cell checks. The inmate was last contacted about an hour earlier when officers collected lunch trays.

Upon discovery additional officers and jail medical staff responded immediately. A request for emergency medical assistance was made to 9-1-1, and first aid / CPR was started and maintained until relieved by a South Kitsap Fire & Rescue medic unit crew. A pulse was regained.

The medic crew continued life saving efforts and transported the man to Harrison Medical Center, Bremerton. The inmate was subsequently airlifted to Harborview Medical Center, Seattle.

The man's family has been notified.

The inmate was being held in a pre-trial status after having been arrested Friday afternoon and booked into jail on a charge of burglary, 2nd degree.

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