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Stabbing Leads to Inmate Death at the Fulton County Jail

Atlanta, GA – The Atlanta Police Department is investigating a homicide that occurred at the Fulton County Jail on April 4, 2024, that resulted in the death of an inmate. The inmate was stabbed multiple times by inmate Edward Cherry, age 36, who was housed in the same zone. At 6:24 p.m., inmate Cherry attacked the inmate in the day room of the housing zone.

The inmate was taken to Grady Memorial Hospital where he was pronounced deceased at 7:39 p.m.

On January 2, 2024, the deceased inmate was arrested by the Atlanta Police Department and charged with criminal damage to property and was being held without bond.

Inmate Cherry was being held without bond on numerous charges including aggravated assault and kidnapping since April 5, 2020.

The Fulton County Medical Examiner's Office will conduct an autopsy on the inmate. The identity of the inmate is pending next of kin notification.

ABOUT THE FULTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE: The mission of the Fulton County Sheriff's Office is Service; through laser-focused efforts to protect the citizens of Fulton County with coordinated law enforcement operations, special strategic teams, and community outreach methods. The Sheriff's Office is constitutionally responsible for the security of all courtrooms, executing arrest warrants, and serving civil papers. In addition, the Sheriff's Office is responsible for the administration and operation of the Fulton County Jail.