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INCIDENT: Untimely Death Investigation (25BA010668)

CASE OFFICER: Corporal Jesse Fecher

DATE/TIME: December 9, 2025 6AM

LOCATION: 400 Block of N. Main Street

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT: On December 9, 2025, at approximately 6AM Barre City officers were called to the rear of a business located along the 400 block of N. Main Street in Barre City for a report of a deceased male. Investigation revealed 51yo Richard Govea of Barre, known to be unhoused, was found in a state believed to be associated with paradoxical undressing. The temperatures during the overnight timeframe dipped to -17 degrees Fahrenheit. Inasmuch, hypothermia may be a factor in his death. Govea's body was delivered to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner for autopsy to determine the manner and cause of death. The incident remains under investigation.

During extreme freezing weather events, a low-barrier shelter is offered in Barre City and advertised across several media platforms, as well as other outreach efforts. We would like to remind everyone if you, or someone you know is experiencing homelessness and in need of shelter during these events, please reach out to service providers for assistance.

Press Release