



## Office of Ross County Sheriff

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### News Release

03/24/2016

Sheriff Lavender reports that shortly after 4:00 p.m. on 03-23-2016 corrections officers in the Ross County Jail were conducting a head count in one of the female pods and discovered an unresponsive female prisoner.

Corrections officers called the Chillicothe Fire Department and started life saving measures. The victim was transported to the Adena Regional Medical Center where she was pronounced deceased at 4:45 p.m.

The victim is identified as 35 year old Stephanie Boyd. Mrs. Boyd was being housed in the Ross County Jail for the Ohio Adult Parole Authority on A Parole Violation for a Franklin County Conviction.

Sheriff Lavender has requested B.C.I. to conduct an investigation into this death.

The preliminary investigation does not indicate any signs of foul play and appears to be a medical related issue.

Corrections officers observed the victim interacting with other prisoners throughout the day.

