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Correctional officer, 2 inmates at Cook County Jail die from COVID-19; death of 2nd officer under investigation

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CHICAGO — The coronavirus continues to make hundreds of people sick at the Cook County Jail.

At least seven people have died due to the outbreak inside the jail, including at least one corrections officer.

Sheila Rivera, 47, died Sunday at the Resurrection Medical Center in Chicago.

Rivera joined the Cook County Sheriff's Office in 2012. Her brother said she got sick quickly, and by Sunday she had passed away.

The sheriff's office said it considers her death to be in the line of duty and advocate that Rivera's family receive benefits.

Friends and family have set up a [GoFundMe page](#).

The Sheriff's office is now dealing with it's first employee death due to COVID-19, while questions remain around the death of a second corrections officer.

Antoine Stewart, was found dead in his Crestwood home on the same day as Rivera.

Stewart worked for the Cook County Jail as a corrections officer for more than 10 years.