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Two Drug Overdoses at Sheriff's Office in the Same Month

Sheriff Richard K. Jones reports that on February 5, 2022, a corrections officer conducting visitation at the Butler County Sheriff's Office, became concerned when a female, identified as Diamond Cox, came into the lobby to visit an inmate but was staring blankly at the wall and rambling incoherently words under her breath. After the correction officer could not get her attention to direct her to the visitation booth, the female became unconscious and was observed slumped over on her knees. The officer responded to the lobby and notified the jail's medical staff.

On February 27, 2022, deputies pulling into the Butler County Sheriff's Office parking lot observed a female, identified as Nichole Roberts, slumped over in her vehicle while parked in a handicap spot. When deputies made contact with the female, they called for the jail's medical staff to respond to the parking lot due to the condition of the female.

On both occasions, jail medics found both females had decreased respirations and were turning purple. Jail medic's found signs and symptoms indicating a possible overdose for both females, so the medics administered Narcan. After both subjects became aware of their surroundings, Hamilton Fire & Life responded to assess them on both occasions. They determined that Cox did not need to be transported to the hospital. Roberts was transported to Ft. Hamilton Hospital for further evaluation.

Cox was placed under arrest and booked into the Butler County Jail on two (2) counts of Possession of Drugs, felonies of the 5th degree and Illegal Conveyance of Drugs of Abuse in a Detention Facility, felony of the 3rd degree.

Roberts, after being released from the hospital, was transported to the Butler County Jail on an outstanding felony warrant and cited for illegally parking in a handicap spot outside of the Sheriff's office.

"Parking illegally at the Sheriff's Office will get you noticed. Coming into the Sheriff's Office high on drugs will also get you noticed. Luckily for these two, it resulted in their lives being saved, but with a trip to jail and a ticket", states Sheriff Jones.

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