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## Death ruled suicide



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**DEATH INVESTIGATION** — The Bridgeport Police and Texas Rangers opened an investigation into the death of a 26-year-old Bridgeport woman discovered Wednesday inside a home on Cates Street. The investigation concluded Thursday, with foul play ruled out.

### *Rangers joined probe after woman found in home*

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The Dallas County Medical Examiners Office ruled the death of a 26-year-old Bridgeport woman that prompted an investigation between the Bridgeport Police Department and Texas Rangers to be a sui-

cide Thursday.

Bridgeport Police Chief Steve Stanford said the finding concludes the investigation into the death of Sylvia Perez, whose body was discovered by a family member Wednesday when they entered the home just a few hundred yards away from the

Bridgeport ISD Alternative Learning Center.

At approximately 8 a.m., the Bridgeport Police and Wise County EMS responded to a call on a possible self-harm attempt at a residence in the 1700 block of Cates Street.

After responding to the scene, Bridgeport Police brought in

the Texas Rangers to assist in the investigation of the death.

“I would say it is questionable,” Stanford said Wednesday. “Technically, we consider this as a possibility of self-harm or a potential homicide.”

Perez was pronounced dead at the scene by Precinct 4 Justice of the Peace. **See Investigation on page 8A**