THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

San Diego Police Department

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POLICE INVESTIGATE MURDER IN COLINA DEL SOL NEIGHBORHOOD

San Diego Police Homicide Unit Detectives are investigating the shooting death of a 14-year-old male just after midnight.

At 12:06 a.m., officers responded to the 5200 block of 52nd Place on multiple reports of gunshots heard. They arrived to find the victim on the east side of 52nd Street suffering from apparent gunshot wounds. Officers performed CPR until paramedics relieved them and transported the victim to a trauma center. The victim died at 12:49 a.m.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that the victim was with several friends, approximately two blocks away, when he left for several minutes. The victim's friends heard gunshots and ran toward the source of the gunfire, finding the victim near the entrance to the Colina Park golf course. Why the victim left his friends is not known.

The motive for the crime is not known. The victim has been identified as Javier Quiroz, 14.

Anyone with information about this incident is encouraged to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-TIPS.

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