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POLICE INVESTIGATE MURDER IN NORTH PARK

San Diego Police Homicide Unit detectives are investigating a robbery that resulted in the death of a male and injuries to his female companion.

On July 14, at 12:04 a.m., officers responded to the 3000 block of Suncrest Drive on multiple reports of gunshots heard. Officers arrived to find two victims lying near a vehicle in the 2900 block of Suncrest Drive. Both victims were transported to a trauma center. The male victim died at 12:53 a.m. The female victim suffered wounds that are not considered life-threatening, and she is being treated for her injuries.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that the couple had just left a bar near 30th Street and Adams Avenue, and was getting into their parked vehicle, when an armed suspect approached from behind and demanded their money. The suspect shot both victims before running south in the west alley of 4700 30th Street.

A witness reported seeing a light-colored Chevrolet van parked in the south alley of 3000 Suncrest Drive at the time of the shooting. The van, possibly occupied by a male and a female, quickly drove in reverse down the alley (in an easterly direction), then turned north on Works Place. The relationship between the van and the shooting has not been established.

The deceased victim, 30, has been identified, but his name is being withheld pending family notification. The suspect was described as a black male (20-30, 5'6"– 5'8", wearing a dark, hooded sweatshirt) armed with a handgun.

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

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