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POLICE INVESTIGATE MURDER IN OAK PARK

San Diego Police Homicide Unit detectives are investigating the shooting death of a male last night in Oak Park.

At 9:03 p.m., officers responded to a report of a shooting in the 5400 block of Bayview Heights Place. They arrived to find two males suffering from gunshot wounds. The most seriously injured victim, a 36-year-old male, was transported to a trauma center, where he died at 9:57 p.m. The second victim, a 29-year-old-male, is recovering from injuries that are not considered life threatening.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that the victims were sitting near a small playground in the apartment complex, watching a group of children play, when three young (15-18 years old) black males approached on foot. One of the males uttered a gang challenge before producing a weapon and firing at the victims. The suspects fled on foot in an unknown direction.

The Street Gang Unit is assisting the Homicide Unit with the investigation.

The victim has been identified, but his name is being withheld pending family notification.

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

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