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POLICE INVESTIGATE MURDER AND OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS IN CORRIDOR NEIGHBORHOOD

San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating a series of related incidents in the Corridor neighborhood – a shooting that left one person dead and five injured, the suspects' flight and shooting of a law enforcement officer, and San Diego Police Officers' pursuit and fatal shooting of the murder suspect on Interstate 805.

Last night, at 8:29 p.m., officers responded to an urgent call for assistance from agents of the California Department of Justice/Bureau of Narcotics Enforcement. Arriving officers learned that while agents were surveilling two suspects related to an ongoing investigation, one of the suspects went into an apartment in the 4200 block of 34th Street and shot six people, killing one. As the suspect fled to a waiting vehicle, agents confronted him. The suspect exchanged gunfire with an agent, injuring one, before fleeing on foot. The driver of the getaway vehicle was arrested at the scene.

The shooter ran on Interstate 805 and crossed all eight lanes of traffic. As he did so, he fired at officers who converged on him. Six San Diego Police Officers returned fire, killing him.

The injured Bureau of Narcotics Enforcement agent is hospitalized for treatment of a gunshot wound that is not considered life-threatening. The murder victim has been identified as a 45-year-old male. The deceased murder suspect has been identified as a 41-year-old male. Their names are not being released pending family notification.

The motive for the shootings is not known.

The getaway driver, Tri Vo, 23, will be booked for one count of murder and five counts of attempted murder.

The officers involved in the shooting range in tenure from one to 21 years.

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