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Homicide Unit
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POLICE INVESTIGATE MURDER IN LOGAN HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD

(San Diego) San Diego Police Homicide Unit detectives are investigating a shooting incident that occurred last night, which left one man dead in the 2100 block of Everett Avenue.

At approximately 11:00 p.m., officers received a radio call to respond to 2100 Everett Avenue regarding a male who was injured in the middle of the street. The caller stated that the injured person was possibly the victim of a stabbing. Officers and paramedics arrived on scene within minutes and found an adult male suffering from an apparent gunshot wound. Medical intervention was attempted but the victim was pronounced dead at 11:05 p.m. The victim was found on Everett Avenue, approximately 10 yards from the intersection of Everett Avenue and 28th Street. Homicide investigators were called to the scene to assume the investigation.

The early investigation has revealed that the 29-year-old victim and two male friends were walking westbound on Everett towards Commercial Avenue when they were confronted by the suspect in the middle of the street. The suspect pointed a handgun at the victim and fired one round, mortally wounding the victim. At this point in the investigation, the motivation for the murder is not known. Detectives are interviewing the two friends, with the hope of identifying the motivation for the attack and developing further suspect information. The suspect has been described as an African American male, approximately 5'8" tall, with a military style haircut. He was wearing all dark clothing, and was last seen running northbound on 28th Street from Everett Avenue.

The murder victim has been identified as 29-year-old Marquis A. Austin of San Diego.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call SD County Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477 or the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293.