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Homicide Cases Involving the Homeless

\$1,000 Reward Offered

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San Diego County Crime Stoppers and investigators from the San Diego Police Department's Homicide Unit are asking for assistance from the public to help identify and locate the suspect(s) responsible for two homicides and a third violent attack involving the homeless.

On Sunday, July 3, 2016, at approximately 8:06 a.m., the San Diego Police and Fire Department received a call of a fire in the area of 2700 Morena Boulevard. Fire personnel and Police Officers responded and discovered a body on fire between Northbound Interstate 5 and the train tracks. Fire personnel extinguished the blaze and discovered the deceased and badly burned body of a male adult.

On July 4, 2016, at approximately 4:51 a.m., the San Diego Police Department Communications Center received a 911 call of a person down and bleeding in the 3700 block of Greenwood Street. When officers arrived on scene, they located an adult male with trauma to his upper torso. The victim was transported to a nearby hospital with life threatening injuries.

On July 4, 2016, at approximately 6:10 a.m., a San Diego police officer was flagged down in the 2500 block of Bacon Street regarding a person down and bleeding from his upper torso. When officers arrived on scene, they located a deceased adult male with trauma to his upper torso.

These attacks have occurred in the early morning hours and investigators urge the public to report any suspicious behavior they see. Investigators are also asking that the public spread the word to the homeless population to remain vigilant, avoid sleeping alone, and to stay in open, well lit areas.

The person in the below pictures is considered a person of interest in these cases.



A video of this person can be seen at the following link:

<https://youtu.be/jEoWzrMlzIM>

Anyone with information on these cases should call the San Diego Police Department's Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or the **Crime Stoppers anonymous tip line at (888) 580-8477**. Crime Stoppers is offering a \$1,000 reward to anyone with information that leads to an arrest in these cases. Anonymous email and text messages can be sent via www.sdcrimestoppers.org.

- **Media inquiries about the case can be directed to Lt. Ray Valentin at (619) 531-2275.**
- **Media inquiries about Crime Stoppers can be directed to Officer Mark Herring at (619) 531-1500.**

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