

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

## San Diego Police Department

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## MAN DIES FROM JULY 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2016, SERIES RELATED ATTACK

On July 6, 2016, at approximately 5:08 a.m., the San Diego Police Department received a 911 call of a violent disturbance at an apartment complex in the 700 block of Kettner Boulevard. Police officers responded and found an adult male who had suffered extensive damage to his upper body. Investigators learned that the male had been physically attacked and was then set on fire. The victim was not expected to survive his injuries and the homicide unit was assigned the case.

Today, July 10, 2016, just before 1:00p.m., the victim was pronounced dead at a local hospital.

Investigators believe this case was related to other attacks on homeless men that occurred on July 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016, leaving two others dead and one in grave condition. On July 7, 2016, Anthony Padgett was arrested for these violent attacks.

The homicide victim from the July 6, 2016, attack is identified as 23-year-old, Dionicio Derek Vahidy. Vahidy was homeless and from San Diego.

Anyone with information related to this incident is encouraged to call the San Diego Police Department's Homicide Unit at 619-531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at 888-580-8477.

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