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One Year Anniversary of the Unsolved Murder of Victor Bacuetes \$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 the public's help in identifying and locating the person(s) responsible for murdering Victor Bacuetes one year ago.

Sometime in the early morning hours of August 16, 2015, Victor Bacuetes, also known as "Indio", was shot and killed at Morley Field. His body was discovered near baseball field # 3 and the velodrome by joggers that morning.

Bacuetes was a transient, but enjoyed playing billiards pool tournaments at various bars in the North Park and Hillcrest areas such as Crickets Pub and The Alibi. Bacuetes was described by friends as easy going and non-confrontational.

Bacuetes appeared to be asleep in the park when he was killed, further leading investigators to believe the attack was unprovoked and the victim was in a vulnerable state. The reasons and motivation behind Bacuetes' murder remain unknown to investigators.



Anyone with information on this murder is asked to call the SDPD'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 this case. Anonymous email and text messages can be sent via www.sdcrimestoppers.org.

- Media inquiries about this case can be directed to A/Lt. Manny Del Toro at (619) 531-2425 or email at <u>mdeltoro@pd.sandiego.gov</u>.
- Media inquiries about Crime Stoppers can be directed to Officer Mark Herring at (619) 531-1500 or email at <u>msherring@pd.sandiego.gov</u>