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San Diego Police Announce an Arrest in O'Farrell Neighborhood Homicide

On Saturday January 13, 2018, at 2:33 p.m., Officers at Martin Luther King Jr Memorial Park who were working a San Diego Police Department recruiting event were contacted by a concerned citizen. That citizen reported seeing an unconscious unresponsive female on 500 S. 66th Street. Officers responded to that location and found the body of an obviously deceased female.

Due to the precarious position of the body on the slope of a ravine, officers could not appropriately begin their investigation into the woman's death. San Diego Police Homicide Detectives were called to the scene and began an investigation of the incident.

Upon arrival of the Medical Examiner and with their assistance, the body was moved and more closely examined. It became apparent the victim was stabbed in the upper torso and died from those injuries.

The decedent, a 29 year old mixed race female, has been identified as Lavaughn Rawshanda Nicole Williams of San Diego.

A suspect was identified early on in the investigation. That suspect was identified as 23 year old Napoleon Joel Lange of San Diego. Lange was arrested on Monday January 15th and subsequently booked into County Jail for murder. Although the suspect and victim were acquainted, detectives are still working to confirm the status of their relationship.

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

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