

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

San Diego Police Department

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SAN DIEGO POLICE RELEASE IDENTITIES IN THE MURDERS AND OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING IN THE CASTLE AREA OF MID-CITY

On Sunday, November 13, 2016, at approximately 9:14 p.m., San Diego Police Officers were dispatched to the 3800 block of Marlborough Avenue to investigate a report of a disturbance involving a male who was armed with a handgun.

The first officers arrived to find an adult Hispanic male in the middle of the street. The male was pointing a handgun at an adult Hispanic female. Officers repeatedly ordered the male to lay on the ground, but the male refused and continued pointing the handgun at the female. An officer, fearing for his life and the safety of the female, fired one round from his service weapon. The round struck the suspect, knocking him to the ground. The suspect was pronounced deceased at the scene by paramedics. The suspect has been identified as 22 year old Juan Carlos Fernandez of San Diego.

It was later determined that Fernandez had shot four people before police officers arrived. All four victims were immediate family members and were transported to local hospitals. One of the victims was pronounced deceased while at the hospital. This victim has been identified as 42 year old Reyna Gonzalez of San Diego. One of the surviving three victims was pronounced deceased this morning, and has been identified as Julian Gonzalez (45), the husband of murder victim Reyna Gonzalez. The remaining two victims, one of whom is Fernandez' ex-wife, are expected to survive their injuries. Their identities will not be released.

The officer involved in the shooting is identified as Officer Ross Bainbridge, who is a 12-year veteran of the San Diego Police Department.

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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