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San Diego Police Make Arrest in 2019 Homicide

On Friday, July 5, 2019 at about 10:36 pm, the San Diego Police Department's Communication Center received a radio call of a shooting at the 2400 block of Calle Gaviota. Officers arrived on scene a few minutes later and located an adult male at that location with a gunshot wound to his upper torso. Officers performed life saving measures on the victim until relieved by San Diego Fire Department Paramedics. The victim was transported to a local hospital by medics. Unfortunately, the male succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased at the hospital.

San Diego Police Homicide Detectives were called to the scene to investigate the incident. Detectives learned the victim went outside and shortly thereafter family members heard gunshots. Family members went outside and discovered the victim down. A witness reported seeing a Hispanic male wearing dark clothing running from the area after the shots were heard. The victim was identified as Dustin Bridwell. He was described as a 37-year-old white male and a resident of San Diego.

Over the past 3 years, Detectives have continued to investigate this case. On July 22, 2022, Detectives from the San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit arrested 32-year-old Arturo Chiquete of San Diego for the murder of Dustin Bridwell. Chiquete was already in custody at Kern Valley State Prison on unrelated crimes when he was transferred to San Diego County Jail and booked for one count of murder and one count of unlawful use of a firearm.

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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