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## Victim Identified in Shooting Death of Male in Encanto Neighborhood

**San Diego** – On January 10, 2023, at 9:16 p.m., the San Diego Police Communications Center received multiple calls reporting gunshots being heard in the area and a male was down along the north sidewalk of 6200 Akins Street. Officers from Southeastern Division were immediately dispatched and arrived within minutes. Upon arriving, they found a male suffering from a gunshot wound to his upper body. Officers performed life-saving measures until Paramedics from San Diego Fire-Rescue personnel arrived on the scene. Unfortunately, despite the best efforts of officers and medics, the male was pronounced deceased at the scene at 9:33 p.m.

San Diego Police Homicide Detectives were called to the scene and are currently investigating the incident. It is still early in the investigation and little is known about the circumstances leading up to the male's death, other than it appears the male was walking along the north sidewalk when a vehicle pulled up next to him and one of the occupants shot him before the vehicle sped off. At this time, Homicide Detectives are searching the area for any physical evidence, surveillance video or any witnesses who may be able to provide more information on the events leading up to the shooting death of the male.

The deceased male has been identified as Najee Woods of San Diego. He is described as a 23-year-old Black male.

There is no suspect information at this time.

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