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Arrest Made in Grantville Double Homicide and Case Update

On March 1, 2024, at approximately 8:50 PM, the San Diego Police Communications Center received a report of a shooting in the 4500 block of Alvarado Canyon Road in the Grantville neighborhood. Officers from Eastern Division responded quickly and located two victims suffering from gunshot wounds inside the stairwell of an apartment complex. The victims were transported by Paramedics to local hospitals for treatment.

The first victim is now identified as Joseph Taylor. He is described as a 31-year-old Black male. Taylor is a San Diego resident, but did not live at the apartment complex.

The second victim is now identified as Lavion Estridge. He is described as a 24-year-old Black male. Estridge is believed to be a security guard at the apartment complex.

San Diego Police Homicide Detectives were called to the scene. Based on the preliminary investigation, it appears there was some sort of altercation among a group of people near the pool area inside the apartment complex. At least three people pulled out firearms and began shooting. These details will still have to be confirmed through comprehensive evaluation of the physical evidence. The purpose for the group gathering is still under investigation. This shooting is believed to be gang related.

Since the investigation began, Detectives have been gathering evidence and information. Through this process, Charles Burke, described as a 31-year-old Black male, was identified as a suspect. On March 5, 2024, at approximately 4:00 PM, Burke was located at a gas station in the 11800 block of Rancho Bernardo Road. He was taken into custody without incident and booked into County Jail for murder.

This remains an active and ongoing investigation. Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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