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Wife and Husband Identified from Fatal Stabbing in Corridor Neighborhood

San Diego – On August 21, 2026, at approximately 11:30 a.m., San Diego Police Department officers from Mid-City Division responded to 9-1-1 calls from neighbors reporting a loud argument followed by an apparent stabbing at a residence in the 4000 block of 39th Street in the Corridor neighborhood.

Officers arrived to find a 33-year-old man, now identified as Daniel Estevan Cornejo, with significant bleeding inside the residence. His wife, also 33 years old, remained on scene with complaints of minor injuries. Officers immediately began life-saving measures, but the man was pronounced deceased at the scene. Initial information gathered during the patrol investigation indicated that the woman had stabbed the man.

The San Diego Police Department's Homicide Unit was notified and assumed responsibility for the investigation. Investigators determined that the two lived together as common-law spouses and shared a six-year-old child, who was at school and not present at the time of the stabbing. The San Diego Police Department coordinated with San Diego Unified School Police to locate the child, ensuring the child's safety. The child has since been reunified with extended family.

The woman, now identified as Sandra Venta, was transported from the scene to a local hospital for evaluation of her reported injuries. Venta was released a short time later and booked into Las Colinas Detention Facility on one charge of murder.

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

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