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SDPD Investigates Two Adults Found Dead Inside Home in Del Cerro Neighborhood

SAN DIEGO – On September 29, at about 2:30 p.m., Eastern Division officers responded to an apartment complex on the 5700 block of College Ave. in the Del Cerro Neighborhood after a neighbor called to report hearing possible gunshots in the area. Officers checked the area and found nothing suspicious.

On September 30, at about 1:05 p.m., officers returned to the same complex to conduct a welfare check at a specific unit. A relative called and asked police to check on a family member who was not responding to phone calls and had missed a scheduled work shift, which was unusual.

After gathering more information at the scene, officers forced entry into the unit. Inside, they found a 47-year-old woman dead. Officers then searched the home for other possible victims or a suspect. They encountered a closed bedroom door and, based on what they knew at the scene, believed an armed person might be barricaded inside.

Patrol officers exited the home and called SDPD's Emergency Negotiation Team and the Special Response Team to help resolve the situation safely.

Officers tried for several hours to communicate with anyone inside the room but got no response. Later in the evening, they entered the bedroom and found a 40-year-old man dead.

Detectives from the San Diego Police Department's Homicide Unit responded to conduct the investigation. They are in the process of interviewing witnesses, processing the scene, and gathering evidence to piece together the sequence of events.

Investigators will work with the San Diego County Medical Examiner's Office to determine the cause and manner of death for both people.

The names of the deceased are being withheld until their families have been notified.

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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