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POLICE INVESTIGATE MURDER IN SHELLTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD

San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating a shooting incident that left one person dead and two others injured.

At 9:54 p.m., officers were dispatched to a report of a shooting in the area of 43rd Street and Highland Avenue. Officers found two victims in a parking lot in the 4100 block of Alpha Street. One victim, a 17-year-old male, had been shot, and the second victim, a 20-year-old male, had been beaten. The shooting victim died at the scene. A third victim, a 17-year-old male with a gunshot wound that is not considered life-threatening, fled the scene and showed up at an area hospital.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that the victims were part of a group that were looking at and displaying custom cars in a private parking lot. The crowd was estimated at more than 100 people when the shooting occurred. The victims became involved in a fistfight with several other males when the shooter (described as a male, 28-30 years of age, 5'11", 200+ pounds, wearing a blue baseball cap and white oversized t-shirt) pulled out a handgun and fired multiple rounds at the victims. The suspect fled in an unknown direction after the shooting.

The victim has been identified, but his name is being withheld pending complete family notification.

The motive for the crime is not known. Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-TIPS.

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