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## San Diego Police Department

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### **POLICE INVESTIGATE DEATH IN NORTH PARK**

(**San Diego**) San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating the circumstances surrounding a male's death after his girlfriend called police to report his overingestion of drugs.

This morning, at about 9:00 a.m., a female called police to report that a 28-year-old male (her boyfriend) had taken too many drugs and was passing out. Officers responded and noticed the male standing in the middle of 4400 Kansas Street. As they got closer, the male lay face-down on the sidewalk and banged his head against the concrete.

The officers handcuffed him and restrained him by holding his head (to prevent any further head bashing) and torso (to stop him from kicking at them and trying to stand up). Paramedics transported the male to a trauma center, and as they arrived, he went into medical distress. The male died in the emergency room six minutes after he arrived.

An autopsy is pending.

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