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POLICE ARREST SUSPECT FOR ATTEMPT MURDER IN HILLCREST

The San Diego Police Homicide Unit has been investigating the assault of a man in the Hillcrest area of San Diego. On June 22, 2011, at about 6:15 p.m., a citizen driving in the area of 1300 Washington Street was flagged down by a man who had walked out of a canyon area along the street. The man was only able to tell the motorist he had been hit in the head with a rock.

The motorist called 911 and asked for medical assistance for the man. Paramedics responded and transported the injured man to a local trauma hospital. The victim complained of pain to his head and was admitted to the hospital. Since being admitted to the hospital, the victim's condition has deteriorated. His injury continues to be considered life threatening.

The investigation revealed the victim was hit in the head with a rock during an altercation with the suspect. During their investigation, Homicide Unit detectives identified the suspect as Joshua Larson (37) of San Diego.

This evening, at approximately 6:15 p.m., Western Division patrol officers arrested Larson as he drove away from a home in the Hillcrest area. Larson was booked into San Diego County Jail for attempt murder and assault with a deadly weapon.

The victim, a 31 year-old white male, has been identified but his name is being withheld pending the notification of his family.

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