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POLICE INVESTIGATE DOUBLE MURDER IN SWAN CANYON

San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating a shooting incident in the Swan Canyon neighborhood resulting in the deaths of two men and serious injuries to a third victim.

Last night, at 10:54 p.m., citizens called police to report multiple gunshots heard near the 2600 block of Highland Avenue. Officers arrived to find two shooting victims in the 2600 block of 44th Street, and the third victim in the west alley of 44th Street. All three victims were transported to a trauma center. Rickquese McCoy, 18, died at 11:36 p.m. Stephen McClendon, 34, died at 11:52 p.m. The third victim underwent surgery and is currently in critical condition.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that the victims were standing outside an apartment on 44th Street when three black males (dressed in dark clothing) approached on foot from the south. The suspects fired multiple rounds at the victims before running back to a silver vehicle parked near the corner of 44th Street and Maple Street. The vehicle was last seen westbound on Maple Street.

The motive for the shooting is not known.

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

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