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POLICE INVESTIGATE MURDER IN PARK WEST NEIGHBORHOOD

San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating the shooting death of a male inside a Park West apartment yesterday afternoon.

On July 24, at 3:17 p.m., officers responded to the 100 block of West Fir Street on a report of a shooting. They arrived to find two males suffering from gunshot wounds inside a second-floor apartment. While paramedics tended to the injured, officers obtained descriptions of three suspects and the vehicle in which they fled. A California Highway Patrol Officer located the vehicle and initiated a stop in the City of El Cajon. Two men were detained inside the vehicle.

The victims were transported to trauma centers, and one (identified as Luis Espinoza, 27) died at 7:35 p.m. The other victim is recovering from his injury.

Ruben Acosta, Sr. (40) and Rodney Acosta (18) were arrested for murder, and they were booked into County Jail. Detectives are working to identify the third suspect and determine the motive for the shooting.

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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