



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

## San Diego Police Department

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### **POLICE ARREST SUSPECT FOR MIRA MESA MURDER**

San Diego Police Department detectives made an arrest in the murder investigation of 63-year-old Raquel Morales who was found dead inside a business in Mira Mesa early on Sunday, May 18, 2014.

On Thursday, May 22, 2014, just after 8:00 p.m., San Diego Police Detectives arrested 49-year-old Leopoldo Pacuan of San Diego after discovering evidence showing his involvement in the murder of Raquel Morales. Pacuan was taken into custody without incident at his San Diego residence.

The murder investigation began just before 2:00 a.m. on May 18, 2014 when San Diego Police Officers responded to a concerned citizen's request to check the welfare at the LBC Express business office in the 8900 block of Mira Mesa Blvd. Morales' dead body was discovered with obvious trauma. Homicide detectives worked diligently investigating the murder which led to Pacuan's arrest.

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

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