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## San Diego Police Department

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### **POLICE INVESTIGATE STABBING DEATH IN TERALTA EAST**

San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating the stabbing death of a female in the Teralta East Community.

On Tuesday, July 7, 2015, at approximately 4:00 p.m., officers and investigators responded to a radio call of two females who had been stabbed in the 4000 block of Highland Avenue. Upon arrival, officers located 45 year-old Alfa Castillo in the side yard of a residence. Castillo had sustained stab wound(s) to her upper torso and was transported to a local hospital. On Wednesday, July 8, 2015, Castillo was pronounced deceased.

A second female stabbing victim was also located in the same side yard of the residence. She was also transported to a local hospital where she was treated and released. The victim's name is being withheld so additional family members can be notified of the incident.

The preliminary investigation revealed Castillo had gone into her residence and found a suspect inside of her home. A brief altercation took place in the side yard of the residence and the suspect stabbed Castillo. The second victim came to Castillo's aid and was also stabbed by the suspect. Mid City Division officers and investigators learned the suspect was an acquaintance known to the victims.'

On Tuesday, July 7, 2015, at about 8:30 p.m., officers conducted a vehicle stop in the 4300 block of Menlo Avenue and took the suspect into custody. The suspect was identified as a 17 year-old Hispanic male. Because he is a juvenile, his name will not be released at this time.

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