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Suspect Arrested in Shooting Death of Male in Castle Neighborhood

San Diego – On June 27, 2023, at approximately 11:04 AM, the San Diego Police Communications Center received several calls reporting a shooting in front of a residence in the 3200 block of 40th Street in the Castle neighborhood of San Diego. Officers from Mid-City Division were dispatched immediately and arrived within minutes. Upon arriving, they found a bystander providing first aid to a male, later identified as Cedrick Deshawn Cruz (35-year-old resident of San Diego), in front of a residence suffering from a gunshot wound to his upper body. Officers took over first-aid until paramedics from San Diego Fire-Rescue arrived and transported Mr. Cruz to a local hospital. Unfortunately, despite the best efforts of the bystander, officers, and medical personnel, Cruz suffered catastrophic injuries and he was pronounced deceased at approximately 11:37 AM.

As officers responded to this call and conducted their preliminary investigation, they learned Cruz was confronted by the suspect in front of the residence before he was shot. The suspect fled the area on foot prior to the arrival of police. San Diego Police Homicide Detectives were called to the scene and began investigating the incident.

Detectives developed information that Michael Hall was the suspect in this case. Hall is described as a 20-year-old Black male and a resident of San Diego. Detectives obtained a warrant for Hall's arrest.

On June 30, 2023, Hall was arrested by the Glendale Police Department in Arizona. San Diego Homicide Detectives are working to extradite Hall to San Diego.

The San Diego Police Department would like to extend our thanks to the Glendale Police Department for their assistance in this case.

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