



# San Diego County Sheriff's Department

## Homicide Unit

### Media Information

**SUBJECT:** Homicide Investigation - Update

**LOCATION:** 400 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Imperial Beach

**DATE/TIME:** April 11, 2020 / 6:00 a.m.

**VICTIM:** Diego Rodriguez, 18

**SUSPECT:** Johnathan Riebeling, 19

The Sheriff's Homicide Unit continued the investigation into the death of an adult male who was dropped off at Scripps Mercy Hospital Chula Vista in the early morning hours of April 10, 2020, with a gunshot wound. Chula Vista Police Department's Crimes of Violence Unit conducted the investigation until locating a crime scene at a residence in the 400 block of 7<sup>th</sup> Street in the city of Imperial Beach. Nineteen-year-old Johnathan Riebeling was contacted at the residence.

Sheriff's Homicide detectives assumed the investigation and were later able to identify Riebeling as the suspect in the shooting. Riebeling was arrested in the city of Imperial Beach and booked into San Diego Central Jail for one count of 187(a) PC – Murder.

The victim's family has been notified of his death. The victim was identified as eighteen-year-old Diego Rodriguez who is a resident of the city of San Diego. The Medical Examiner's Office conducted the autopsy on April 10, 2020. The cause of death is a single gunshot wound to the head and the manner of death is homicide.

Sheriff's Homicide detectives are continuing to investigate the incident.

Information from prior release:

*On April 10, 2020, at about 12:45 a.m., Chula Vista Police Department Officers responded to Scripps Mercy Hospital Chula Vista for a report of a male with a gunshot wound. Hospital staff attempted life saving measures. Unfortunately, the adult male was pronounced deceased at 1:06 a.m. The person who drove the male to the hospital left shortly after dropping him off.*



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*Chula Vista Police Department's Crimes of Violence Unit responded and began investigating the circumstances of the male's death. Early this afternoon, the investigation led Chula Vista detectives to a residence in the 400 block of 7<sup>th</sup> Street in the city of Imperial Beach. Chula Vista detectives located what is believed to be the scene of the shooting.*

*San Diego Sheriff's Homicide Unit responded and assumed the investigation.*

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call the Sheriff's Homicide Unit at (858) 285-6330/after hours at (858) 565-5200. You can also remain anonymous by calling Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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