



San Diego County SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

NEWS RELEASE INFORMATION SHEET

Subject: Missing Person/Medical Aid

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SYNOPSIS:

On May 14, 2020 at about 2:00 pm, Valley Center deputies received a radio call regarding a missing person at risk. The reporting party told deputies his 32 year-old step-son had left their house around 6:00 am. At around 1:00 pm, they noticed he had not returned. They checked a hiking trail near the house, located at the intersection of Sunset Road and Vesper Lane. Along the trail, they found their son's pants and wallet. The parents became concerned and called the Sheriff's Department for assistance. Deputies arrived and continued to search the trail with the assistance of a San Diego County Sheriff's Department Helicopter (ASTREA). Deputies located the male at the bottom of a large rock formation about three quarters of a mile down the trail. He was breathing, but non-responsive. With the assistance of fire department personnel, the male was air lifted from the scene to Palomar Medical Center. As of this writing, the male's condition is unknown.

Call Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477 with information and you will remain anonymous. You can also download the P3 anonymous tip app. You may be eligible for up to a \$1,000 reward for information that leads to an arrest.

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