

## San Diego County SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

## **NEWS RELEASE INFORMATION SHEET**

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## **SYNOPSIS:**

A nine-hour SWAT standoff in Valley Center is now over. William Halverson (DOB 2/22/68) was arrested without incident around 9:00 a.m. He will be booked into the Vista Detention Facility on multiple charges, including domestic violence, elder abuse, and felon in possession of a firearm.

The incident started just after 10:00 p.m. in the 12000 block of Lilac Knolls Road in Valley Center on Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> when deputies responded to a radio call of a verbal argument. Deputies contacted the victim outside the residence and learned a dependent adult was immobilized in the residence. When deputies contacted Halverson he made several statements that he would kill anyone who came on his property, including law enforcement. The victim heard Halverson chamber a shotgun and knew he had access to multiple weapons inside the home.

The Sheriff's Crisis Negotiation Team (CNT), ASTREA, and Special Enforcement Detail (SED/SWAT) responded to the scene urging the suspect to surrender.

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.