

San Diego County Sheriff's Department Homicide Detail Media Information

SUBJECT: Poway Homicide Update (#2)

LOCATION: 13012 Pomerado Road, Poway

DATE/TIME: January 14, 2018 / 1:32 a.m.

VICTIM: Zubayr Phahez, age twenty-nine

SUSPECT: Kevin Talbott, age thirty

The following information is fragmentary and has not been completely verified. It is based, in part, on hearsay and is intended for early information use rather than being a formal investigative report.

Early Sunday morning, just after 1:30 a.m., Sheriff's Deputies responded to a 9-1-1 call of a stabbing near the 711 store at 13012 Pomerado Road, in Poway. When deputies arrived, they located an adult male victim inside his vehicle on Pomerado Road, not far from the 711. He was seriously injured. The victim was treated and rushed to a local hospital by Poway Fire Department personnel, but he did not survive. The Sheriff's Homicide Detail was called to the scene and has taken over responsibility for the investigation.

Deputies also located an adult male in the area who matched the description of a possible suspect in the assault. That man, identified as thirty-year-old Kevin Talbott, a transient from the Poway area, has been arrested for murder. Talbott was booked into the San Diego Central Jail, where he is being held without bail.

The victim has been identified as twenty-nine-year-old Zubayr Phahez, of Poway. The San Diego County Medical Examiner's Office has conducted an autopsy of Zubayr Phahez and preliminary results have been released. The victim's cause of death has been determined to be a stab wound, and the manner of death has been ruled a homicide.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call the Sheriff's Homicide Detail at (858) 974-2321 / after hours at (858) 565-5200. You can also remain anonymous by calling Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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