



# San Diego County Sheriff's Department

## Homicide Unit

### Media Information

**SUBJECT:** Death Investigation

**LOCATION:** 325 South Melrose Drive, Vista

**DATE/TIME:** July10, 2018 / 10:31 p.m.

**DECEASED:** Withheld, pending family notifications

**SUSPECT:** None

**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.**

Last evening at about 10:20 p.m. deputies at the Vista Detention Facility responded to a panic alarm and saw an inmate inside the dayroom of a module in apparent medical distress. The man did not appear injured, but as deputies entered the module to help the 36-year-old man, he became unresponsive. CPR was initiated and the man was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced deceased at about 10:30 p.m. The man was in custody for possession of a leaded cane, being a felon in possession tear gas and a violation of his probation terms. The Sheriff's Homicide Unit responded to investigate the death.

The San Diego County Medical Examiner's Office will conduct an autopsy to determine the cause and manner of death and notify the victim's family. The Sheriff's Homicide Unit responds to investigate all in-custody deaths. Our response is not an indication of foul play or suspicious circumstances. The investigation is ongoing.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call the Sheriff's Homicide Unit 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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