



San Diego County SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

NEWS RELEASE INFORMATION SHEET

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SYNOPSIS:

On February 18, 2020, at approximately 1612 hours, deputies from the Sheriff's Transit Enforcement Unit responded to a report of an Amtrak train vs. pedestrian collision. The incident occurred on the railroad tracks near Washington Street and Frontage Road, in the city of San Diego. A southbound Amtrak train was traveling at approximately 48 miles per hour when the train's engineer observed what appeared to be an Asian male adult, run towards the tracks travelled by the Amtrak train. The train's engineer sounded its warning horn for the crossing to alert pedestrians, but the male continued to run towards the tracks. Unfortunately, the train was unable to stop before fatally striking the male as the he ran onto the tracks. The male was pronounced deceased at the scene. Anyone with information regarding this case can call the Sheriff's Department's non-emergency number at (858) 565-5200.

Source of Information: Jason Burk, Sheriff's Department, Transit Enforcement Unit.

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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