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## Victim Identified in Grant Hill Homicide

On Saturday, April 5, 2025, at approximately 00:42 a.m., the San Diego Police Department Communications Center received a call reporting a domestic violence occurring in the 200 block of 28<sup>th</sup> Street. The resident told police her friend's boyfriend was at the location attempting to force entry into her home to assault the female. Officers from Central Division responded and located a man in medical distress in the residence.

Officers rendered aid until paramedics arrived and transported the victim to a local hospital. The victim was pronounced deceased at the hospital with at least one stab wound to his torso. He is described as a 23-year-old Hispanic male. **He is now identified as Joshua Cruz.** 

All other parties involved in the incident were still at the location when officers arrived. The suspect is described as a 23-year-old Hispanic female. The suspect was detained but released pending additional investigation. Her name will not be released at this time.

San Diego Police Homicide Detectives were called to the scene and are currently investigating the incident. The preliminary information gathered shows Joshua Cruz, who does not live at the location, forced entry into the home by kicking in the door, after threatening to assault his girlfriend, who was inside. He gained entry and was ultimately stabbed at least one time in the torso.

Detectives are currently investigating what led up to the fight and stabbing, and the precise actions of everyone involved. This will include collecting video evidence, interviewing witnesses, and a detailed examination and analysis of the physical scene.

Anyone with information regarding this incident can call the Homicide Unit at 619-531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.