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### **Victim in Grant Hill Assault Dies**

**San Diego** – On April 5, 2022, at approximately 7:30 a.m., the San Diego Police Communications Center received a report of an assault with a deadly weapon at the basketball court at 2800 L Street. The initial information was that a male was hitting a person in a sleeping bag with a three-foot piece of wood. The suspect was described as a black male wearing a light-colored blanket, dark “hoodie” and dark pants, with a backpack.

Patrol officers from Central Division responded and located a male lying on the basketball court covered with a blanket. He had traumatic injuries to his upper body. Medics transported the male to a local hospital. He has now been identified as Zechariah Turner, a 32-year-old white male, who was homeless at the time of the assault. A piece of lumber that potentially matches the description of the weapon was recovered nearby on the basketball court.

At approximately 8:55 a.m., patrol officers located Rashi Foster in the area of 2400 Imperial Ave, several blocks from the initial scene. He matched the description of the suspect. Foster is described as a 37-year-old homeless black male.

Based on the severity of the victim’s injuries, the San Diego Police Homicide Unit responded to investigate the case. Foster was arrested and booked into jail for attempted murder.

Unfortunately, on April 7, 2022, the victim died from his injuries. Detectives are working to change the charge from attempted murder to murder.

The investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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