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Unsolved Murder of Miguel Castro

\$10,000 Reward Offered

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San Diego County Crime Stoppers and investigators from the Escondido Police Department's Crimes of Violence Unit continue to ask for the public's help in identifying and locating the suspects responsible for the murder of 17-year-old Miguel Castro which occurred nearly 23 years ago.

On January 31, 2000, at about 10:20 p.m., Miguel Castro was shot and killed while standing with a small group of teens in front of an apartment complex located at 451 E. Mission Avenue, in Escondido. Witnesses reported seeing a white 4-door Honda or Toyota at the corner of Hickory Avenue and Mission Avenue with three to four suspects inside the vehicle. Gun shots fired from the occupant(s) struck Miguel and one other male.

Crime Stoppers along with the City of Escondido and the family of Miguel Castro are offering a combined \$10,000 reward for any information leading to an arrest in this case.

Victim: Miguel Castro



Anyone with information on this murder is asked to call the Escondido Police Department's Tipline at (760) 743-8477, visit the Online Tip Form at <https://www.police.escondido.org/> or **Crime Stoppers anonymous tip line at (888) 580-8477**. Visit the Crime Stoppers website at www.sdcrimestoppers.org for more information on how to send anonymous web and mobile app tips.

- Media inquiries about this case should be directed to Lt. Suzanne Baeder at (760) 839-4444.
- Media inquiries about Crime Stoppers can be directed to Officer Mark Herring at (619) 531-1500 or email at msherring@pd.sandiego.gov or Deputy Marcial Lopez at (619) 531-1547 or email at marcial.lopez@sdsheriff.org.

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