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## Reward Increase and Case Update: College West Assault with a Deadly Weapon

\$10,000 Reward Offered

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San Diego County Crime Stoppers and investigators from the San Diego Police Department's Eastern Division are continuing to ask for the public's assistance to help identify and locate the suspects responsible for shooting a 16-year-old male in the face in the College West area of San Diego.

On August 21, 2021, at approximately 11:50 p.m., two 16-year-old males were leaving a party located in the 4900 block of Campanile Drive, in San Diego. As these two males were leaving the party, they were confronted by a group of approximately 20 to 30 Hispanic or Asian males. This large group accused the two males of throwing a bottle at them and then chased both males to the 5900 block of Baja Drive. A large group of unknown male suspects began to punch the victim multiple times. The victim looked up and saw a muzzle flash and immediately felt pain to his face. The suspects ran away westbound on Baja Drive.

The victim's friend took him to a local hospital for medical treatment. The victim was not actually struck by a bullet but was struck by fragments from the bullet. The victim sustained several lacerations to his face and permanent loss of his left eye.

## Suspects' Description:

The victim described the group of suspects as approximately twenty Hispanic males who had thin builds and one heavy set Asian male. A witness described the group of suspects as forty "well-dressed" college aged Asian males.

\*\*\*The victim's family is offering a \$9,000 reward in addition to Crime Stoppers' \$1,000 reward for information that leads to an arrest in this case. \*\*\*

Anyone with information on the identity and or location of the suspects is asked to call the San Diego Police Department's Eastern Division at (858) 495-7940 or the Crime Stoppers anonymous tip line at (888) 580-8477. Visit the Crime Stoppers website at <a href="https://www.sdcrimestoppers.org">www.sdcrimestoppers.org</a> for more information on how to send anonymous web and mobile app tips.

- Media inquiries about this case should be directed to Lieutenant Adam Sharki at (619) 531-2675 or email at <u>asharki@pd.sandiego.gov</u>.
- Media inquiries about Crime Stoppers can be directed to Officer Mark Herring at (619) 531-1500 or email at <a href="mailto:msherring@pd.sandiego.gov">msherring@pd.sandiego.gov</a> or Deputy Marcial Lopez at (619) 531-1547 or email at <a href="mailto:marcial.lopez@sdsheriff.org">marcial.lopez@sdsheriff.org</a>.