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SFPD Make Arrest in Pier 14 Homicide

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On July, 1, 2015 at approximately 6:30 PM, San Francisco Police Officers responded to a call of a shooting that occurred on Pier 14 (located on Embarcadero and Mission). Upon arrival Officers discovered a 31 year old female suffering from a gunshot wound to her upper torso. With the help of a Good Samaritan, Officers quickly rendered aid to the victim until paramedics arrived on scene. The victim was immediately transported to San Francisco General Hospital where she tragically succumbed to her injuries.

Minutes after the incident, Officers received a description of a person of interest. Officers flooded the area in search of this individual and located the subject on the corner of Embarcadero and Townsend at approximately 7:25PM. He was then transported to the Homicide Unit for further investigation.

Taken into custody was Francisco Sanchez, 45 years old, Hispanic male, of Texas. He was booked at San Francisco County Jail for homicide. A booking photo is attached to this press release. Sanchez is on active probation out of the state of Texas.

During the investigation, Inspectors developed probable cause to arrest Sanchez with information obtained during interviews and from evidence that was retrieved.

The family of the victim expresses appreciation to the good Samaritans at the scene who rendered aid, those witnesses who provided information and photographs, to the police officers and firefighters who responded within minutes of the call to 911, and the staff of San Francisco General Hospital for all their efforts.

The assistance of witnesses who remained at the scene and provided police officers with descriptions and photographs of the suspect was of instrumental value in solving this crime. Within minutes of obtaining this information, officers at the scene were able to share the description and photo to officers searching the area. This combination of community support and use of technology allowed officers to make a quick apprehension of the suspect.

Although an arrest has been made, anyone with further information is encouraged to contact the SFPD Anonymous Tip Line at (415) 575-4444 or Text A Tip to TIP411 and include "SFPD" at the beginning of the message.

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