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SUSPECT ARRESTED FOR MURDER

RIVERSIDE, CA – **Riverside, CA** – On Saturday, May 31, 2014, at 3:44 PM, Riverside Police officers were dispatched to the 3600 block of Cranford for a subject who had been shot. When Riverside Fire Department personnel arrived, they located 40 year old Riverside resident Dana Parker suffering from multiple gunshot wounds. Personnel from the Riverside Police Department arrived and assumed the criminal investigation. Mr. Parker was transported to a local area hospital where he died from his wounds.

Detectives from the Riverside Police Department Robbery / Homicide Unit and personnel from the Forensic Evidence Unit responded to the location. Based on the preliminary investigation it is believed the suspect shot Parker while he was sitting inside of his vehicle, which was parked on Cranford Avenue. The suspect fled the location, north on Cranford Avenue. During the investigation video of what is believed to be the suspect vehicle was located. The vehicle is described as a 1995-1997 Green Ford Explorer with four doors.

On Thursday, June 5, 2014 at approximately 8:30 PM, detectives from the Riverside Police Gang Unit and officers from the Department's METRO Team located the suspect vehicle in the area of Park and 11th in the City of Riverside. The driver of the vehicle and



a pedestrian standing next to the vehicle were detained. The driver of the vehicle, Anthony Valadez, a 22 year old Riverside resident was interviewed by Robbery / Homicide Investigators and booked for charges unrelated to the murder.

During a search of the Green Ford Explorer a loaded 9mm handgun was found. Based on the evidence gathered, the additional charges of Murder, use of a firearm during the commission of a murder and gang enhancements were added to Valadez's list of charges.

If you have additional information regarding this investigation please contact Detective Jim Brandt at (951) 353-7137 or Detective Jim Simons at (951) 353-7138.

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