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Accidental Shooting Leads to Fatality

Riverside, CA – On Wednesday, September 24th, 2008, at 9:50 p.m., officers from the Riverside Police Department responded to the 7600 block of Magnolia Avenue reference a subject in a vehicle suffering from a gunshot wound.

Upon the officers' arrival, a Hispanic adult male was found inside a vehicle in the driveway of a residence suffering from a gun shot wound to his head. American Medical Response and Riverside City Fire Department personnel responded to the scene. The subject succumbed to his gunshot wound and was pronounced deceased at the scene.

Homicide Investigators responded to the scene and were assisted in their investigation by personnel from the Forensic Unit.

Preliminary investigation revealed that the deceased subject was handling a loaded firearm while sitting in his vehicle that was parked in the driveway of a residence in the 7600 block of Magnolia Avenue. The firearm went off, striking the subject. The shooting appears to be accidental based on witness interviews and evidence found at the scene.

The name of the deceased subject will not be released until notifications by the Coroner's Office have been conducted.

Anyone with information pertaining to this investigation should contact Detective Ron Sanfilippo (951) 353-7105, or Detective Steve Shumway (951) 353-7138.

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