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POLICE MEDIA ADVISORY

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To: San Diego Media

From: Chula Vista Police Department

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Subject: CVPD Death of Juvenile (Fentanyl-related)

Message: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The Chula Vista Police Department is seeking your help with information involving the sale of or distribution fentanyl, especially to youth.

On August 19, 2021, at approximately 1555 hours, Chula Vista Police Officers along with Medics were dispatched to a 911 call of a possible fentanyl overdose involving a 16-year-old juvenile. Medics arrived first and successfully administered multiple doses of Narcan. Fortunately, the 16-year-old survived the incident. Officers later learned the 16-year-old was with friends and knowingly ingested a substance they believed to contain fentanyl. The friends administered CPR prior to Medics arrival.

The following day, August 20, 2021, at 1505 hours, CVPD Officers and Medics received a call for service of a 17-year-old who was not breathing. CVPD Officers and Medics arrived. Despite life-saving measures, they were unable to resuscitate the juvenile. During the death investigation that followed, Officers learned the juvenile decedent was one of those present at the overdose incident from the day prior, as described above.

Anyone who may have any information regarding the sale and distribution of fentanyl or illicit substances, in the above case especially, is asked to please contact San Diego County Crime Stoppers at 888-580-8477 or CVPD at 619-691-5151.

Media are instructed to direct all inquiries to Lt. Frank Giaime @ 619-476-2344.

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