

HUNTINGTON BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Huntington Beach Police Investigate Fatal Shooting on Florida Street

On Friday, May 23, 2025, at approximately 8:40 p.m., Huntington Beach Police Department (HBPD) patrol officers responded to a report of a shooting near the intersection of Florida Street and Utica Avenue.

Upon arrival, officers located an adult male suffering from a single gunshot wound inflicted by a flare gun. Huntington Beach Fire Department personnel provided medical aid and transported the victim to a local hospital, where he later succumbed to his injuries. The victim's identity is being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

The suspect initially fled the scene but was quickly located by responding officers. He was identified as a male juvenile; however, his identity is being withheld in accordance with state laws protecting the privacy of minors. The weapon used in the incident was recovered.

Detectives from the HBPD Major Crimes Unit responded to the scene and assumed investigative responsibility. Based on the preliminary investigation, detectives believe this was an isolated incident and that there is no ongoing threat to the community. The Orange County Sheriff's Department Coroner Division and Crime Lab responded to assist with the investigation.

The juvenile suspect was booked into Orange County Juvenile Hall on one count of **PC 187(a) – Murder**.

This investigation is ongoing, and no additional details are available at this time.

Anyone with video surveillance in the area or information related to this incident is encouraged to contact Detective Sergeant Anthony Pham at (714) 878-5640. To remain anonymous, please contact Orange County Crime Stoppers at (855) TIP-OCCS (855-847-6227).

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