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SIX ARRESTED FOR INVOLVEMENT IN HOMICIDE

ELK GROVE, CA – The Elk Grove Police Department has arrested five adults and one juvenile in connection with the murder of 18-year old D'Andre Blackwell.

On June 5, 2010, at 11:18 p.m., officers responded to the Holiday Inn Express located in the 9100 block of W. Stockton Blvd. regarding a shooting inside the establishment. Upon arrival, officers located D'Andre Blackwell lying on the ground in a hallway on the third-floor of the hotel suffering from a gunshot wound to the chest. Blackwell died as a result of the injuries he sustained.

During the course of an eight month investigation, detectives encountered numerous witnesses who provided information regarding the events that led up to the shooting of D'Andre Blackwell. As the investigation continued, Elk Grove detectives began working in cooperation with the Sacramento Police Department and the Sacramento Sheriff's Department to identify possible suspects.

As a result of the investigation, detectives obtained investigative information that led to the identity of six suspects responsible for the homicide. Detectives obtained warrants for the suspects who were present and involved in Blackwell's death from the District Attorney's Office. Earlier today, the Elk Grove Police Department with the assistance of the Sacramento Police Department, Sacramento County Sheriff's Department, Sacramento County Probation, California Department of Corrections and the FBI Safe Streets Task Force served arrest warrants in Sacramento and Elk Grove. The following individuals were taken into custody (adult booking photos attached):

Al Allen (20), Deandre Gomes (19), Kionte Lightner (18), Raymond Shaw (19), Brandon Washington (22) and a 15-year-old male.

The investigation into this homicide is ongoing, and detectives are working to identify additional suspects. Anyone with information is asked to call the Elk Grove Police Department Detective Bureau at (916) 478-8060 or Crime Alert at (916) 443-HELP (4357). Callers to Crime Alert can remain anonymous and may be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000.00. Tips can also be sent via SMS text message by entering CRIMES (274637) on a cell phone, followed by Tip732 (agency identification number) and the message.



Al Allen



Deandre Gomes



Kionte Lightner



Raymond Shaw



Brandon Washington

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