

VALLEJO POLICE DEPARTMENT Press Release

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Vallejo Police are investigating a homicide

At 2038 hours on the 7th, the Vallejo Police Department responded to a hit and run accident at Sonoma Boulevard and Mini Drive. Patrol officers arrived and found a Ford Explorer had rolled over in the center median of northbound Sonoma Boulevard. They discovered the driver had sustained a gunshot wound to the upper body. The officers conducted a search and found a crime scene in the parking lot of the Chevron gas station.

The Vallejo Fire Department and an ambulance arrived and the victim was pronounced dead at the scene. The victim is identified as Joseph Maes Pittier, 28 years of age from Vallejo. An autopsy is scheduled this week by the Solano County Coroner's Office.

Detectives of the Major Case Section are collecting evidence and are interviewing witnesses from the Chevron gas station. Details of the shooting are not available at this time. This is the city of Vallejo's twelfth homicide of the year and does not include the Solano County Sheriff's Office homicides in the unincorporated area of Vallejo.

Anyone with information on this case is encouraged to contact Detective Bill Badour or Detective Kent Tribble of the Vallejo Police Departments Major Case Section at 1-800-488-9383.