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<b>INCIDENT / DR#: 08-1365 Murder</b>		<b>DATE: 1-26-08 9:15 PM</b>
<b>LOCATION: 819 W. 19<sup>th</sup> St. Costa Mesa</b>		
<b>VICTIM #1:</b>	<b>Name: Male Hispanic Juvenile—Name not released. City of Residence: Costa Mesa Injuries / Condition: Fatal Stab Wound</b>	<b>Age: 17</b>
<b>ARRESTEE:</b>	<b>Name Scott Santana (Male Hispanic) City of Residence: Costa Mesa Charges: 187 PC Murder; 186.22 PC Criminal Street Gang Activity Booked: Yes/Costa Mesa Jail</b>	<b>Age: 23 Bail: 1,000,000</b>
<b>SYNOPSIS:</b> <p>On Saturday 1-26-08 at 9:15 PM, Costa Mesa Police Department officers responded to a dispatched call of a fight in the parking lot of the El Metate Market, 819 W. 19<sup>th</sup> Street. Upon arrival, officers found a male Hispanic juvenile that had been stabbed. The juvenile was treated at the scene by Costa Mesa Fire Department paramedics and subsequently transported to Western Medical Center in Santa Ana. The juvenile died at the hospital several hours later on the morning of 1-27-08.</p> <p>The suspect fled the scene of the fight in a vehicle, possibly an SUV. Homicide Detectives and Gang Investigators responded to handle the follow-up investigation. The investigation revealed that Santana was the suspect in this assault. A search warrant was served later in the morning on 1-27-08 at Santana's Costa Mesa residence. Santana was found inside the residence and arrested for the above charges. It appears that the fight was gang related.</p> <p>Santana was booked at the Costa Mesa City Jail. The booking photograph will not be released pending further investigation.</p>		
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