



HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Update 2

The vehicle associated with Salvatore Riccobono IV has been located, thanks to the help of a citizen tip. The vehicle was located mid-morning on Friday, April 27, within the county's jurisdiction of Eureka. No arrests have been made in association to this finding.

The preliminary autopsy report indicates Riccobono's cause of death as multiple gunshot wounds. Riccobono was also found to have injuries consistent with a motor vehicle accident. Injuries related to the vehicular accident are not under investigation by the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office. The California Highway Patrol is conducting a separate investigation of the vehicular accident.

Riccobono was from Concord, CA, and was living in Humboldt County at the time of his death.

This case is still under investigation. We are thankful for the community's help and continue to encourage anyone with information regarding this case to contact the Sheriff's Office at (707) 445-7251 or the Sheriff's Office Crime Tip Line at (707) 268-2539.

Media Release Update- April 26, 2018

The person found deceased on US 101 near Salmon Creek has been positively identified as Salvatore Riccobono IV, age 29, from Concord, California. Riccobono was in possession of a 1998 Gold Infinity SUV with California plate 4ASX760 which is unaccounted for. Riccobono was also known to carry a 9mm pistol which is also unaccounted for. If someone sees the vehicle they should not approach it and contact law enforcement as soon as possible.

Our investigation indicates that Riccobono had been shot at least one time prior to being struck by the involved vehicle. It is not known if he was alive or deceased when he was struck by the vehicle. Further information will be released after the forensic autopsy is completed on April 28th. This incident is being investigated as a Homicide.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to call the Sheriff's Office at (707) 445-7251 or the Sheriff's Office Crime Tip Line at (707) 268-2539.

Initial Media Release- April 23, 2018

On April 23, 2018 at 0500 hours, Humboldt County Sheriff's Office Emergency Communications Center received a 9-1-1 call about a vehicle vs. pedestrian collision on NB101 near Salmon Creek. The call was transferred to the California Highway Patrol. California Highway Patrol Officers and Sheriff's Deputies responded. It was determined the pedestrian was deceased and the California Highway Patrol requested a response from the Coroner.

The Deputy Sheriff/Coroner arrived on scene and began his investigation. Based on the Deputy Sheriff/Coroner's observations, he requested a response from the Criminal Investigations Division. Detectives and an evidence technician responded. The Humboldt County Sheriff's Office is investigating this as a suspicious death. A forensic autopsy is scheduled for Saturday, April 28th. No further information regarding this incident will be released until after the autopsy is completed.

The identity of the deceased is being withheld pending notification of next of kin. Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to call the Sheriff's Office at (707) 445-7251 or the Sheriff's Office Crime Tip Line at (707) 268-2539.