Domestic Related Homicide

Deceased: Name withheld pending notification of next of kin

Arrested Suspect: Jillian Leah Smith, W/F, 04/14/88 of 6412 6th Avenue North

Homicide detectives have determined that the deceased 32 year old male victim and Smith were having a domestic dispute in the home they shared together at 6412 6 Avenue North. The nature of that dispute is still under investigation.

During the argument, Smith obtained a kitchen knife and stabbed the victim in the upper torso. After the stabbing, Smith did call 911 seeking medical assistance for the victim.

Detectives have concluded their interview with Smith and are charging her with 2nd degree murder.

Smith and the victim have had a history of domestic disputes between them to include eleven instances in the past year. That last incident occurred at the same address on 12/04/12.

According to reports the victim and Smith were not married and had been involved in a relationship with each other for about a year.

We will release the victim's name once the next of kin have been located.

Information released by Mike Puetz, michael.puetz@stpete.org

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Previous release of 12/12/12 at 1429 hours

Detectives on the Scene of Possible Domestic Related Homicide

Homicide investigators are currently on the scene of a possible domestic related homicide at 6412 6th Avenue North.

Officers initially responded at about 1:00 p.m. this afternoon after receiving a call from a female at that address who informed 911 operators that a man had suffered a stab wound.
Officers and paramedics arrived on the scene and discovered a 32 year old male with a stab wound to the upper body. He was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced dead about 1:37 p.m.

Detectives are interviewing the female companion of the deceased who called 911 and was present at the scene when officers arrived.

Additional details regarding the investigation will be released later this afternoon.

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