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Homicide Arrest – S.19 St. / Martin Luther King Jr. Way

Tacoma, Wash. – On July 6, at 11:35 a.m. South Sound 911 received reports of shots fired in the area of S. 19th St. and Martin Luther King Jr. Way. Minutes later, a call came in from the 1900 block of S. Ainsworth of a shooting victim at that location.

Detectives learned a group of juveniles in a car had been in the area of S. 19th St. and Martin Luther King Jr. Way when someone shot at them. A 14-year-old female in the car was struck. The car with the victim drove to the 1900 block of S. Ainsworth and medical aid was called. Officers arrived and life-saving measures were immediately started. The victim was pronounced deceased on scene by Tacoma Fire Department personnel.

The victim was a 14-year-old female.

Detectives and crime scene technicians responded to both scenes. Through their investigations probable cause was developed for the arrest of a suspect in this homicide.

Today, just before 4 p.m., officers took a 17-year-old male suspect into custody without incident. The suspect was booked for Murder 1.

The investigation is ongoing.

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