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Four Individuals Shot Due to Family Dispute

On Saturday, August 7, 2021, at approximately 10:50 a.m., the Huntington Beach Police Department (HBPD) responded to reports of gunshots in the 4500 block of Operetta Drive, which resulted in the death of one male and the hospitalization of three others.

Upon arrival, officers found three individuals in front of the residence suffering from gunshot wounds. Officers worked to safely evacuate the injured victims to a waiting ambulance, as the suspect was still believed to be barricaded inside the residence. While officers were evacuating the victims, a male, who was believed to be the shooter, came out of the residence with a superficial gunshot wound. He was contacted and also transported to a local hospital and is in stable condition.

The three victims were all transported to a local hospital, where one adult male succumbed to his injuries. One victim was treated and released from the hospital, and the other is still hospitalized and expected to survive.

In an abundance of caution, the HBPD set up a perimeter around the area, evacuated several homes near the residence, and requested assistance from the HBPD SWAT Team.

The SWAT Team performed a thorough sweep of the residence and surrounding area and confirmed no active threat to the community.

Based upon the preliminary investigation, it is believed that the shooting was related to a family dispute pertaining to the upcoming sale of the residence. A group of real estate professionals accompanied a family member to view the residence when the shooting took place. Names of the victims and suspected shooter are being withheld at this time.