



Irving Police Department

INFORMATION RELEASE

Homicide Investigation - Update

UPDATE: October 25, 2018 – Acting upon an anonymous tip, detectives located the suspect vehicle involved in the offense. The subsequent investigation led to the identification and arrest of 18-year-old Jose Alexander Lopez as the person responsible for the shooting death of Juan Jose Casas-Cruz. Further investigation revealed that the shooting occurred during a traffic altercation following a minor car crash in Dallas. Lopez is currently in the Irving Jail on a Murder charge with the bond set at \$1,000,000.00. His booking photo is attached.



Irving, Texas – October 10, 2018 – The Irving Police Department is investigating a homicide that occurred on Sunday, October 7, 2018 at approximately 2:10 a.m. The victim, 34-year-old Juan Jose Casas-Cruz (pictured below), was a passenger in a vehicle that was travelling southbound on State Loop 12 near State Highway 183. A small pickup truck pulled up next to the victim and began shooting. The victim was hit by one of the rounds. He was taken to Parkland Hospital but died from his injuries. The motive for the shooting is unknown.

The suspect vehicle is described as a 1995 – 2000 model dark green Toyota Tacoma extra cab pickup truck with dark tinted windows. Anyone with information on this case is asked to contact the Irving Police Department at (972) 273-1010 (24 hours) and reference case number 18-22372. Additionally, tips may be submitted to ipdcrimetips@cityofirving.org.