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### **Arrest Made in Homicide that Occurred in the 7400 Block of Tacoma Mall Boulevard**

Tacoma, Wash. – On February 28, at 11:23 a.m., South Sound 911 received calls of a male shot in a tent in the area of South 74 Street and Tacoma Mall Boulevard. Officers located the victim and a dog who had also been shot. Officers immediately started life-saving measures, but the 26-year-old male was declared deceased on scene by Tacoma Fire Department personnel.

Detectives and crime scene technicians responded to the scene. A Detective located the suspect in an RV parked in the 2600 block of S. 80 Street a short time later. Officers responded and took the suspect into custody without incident.

The injured dog was transported to an emergency veterinary hospital by a Tacoma Animal Control and Compliance officer, where the dog died from his injuries.

The suspect, a 36-year-old male, was booked into jail for Murder First Degree and Unlawful Possession of a Firearm First Degree.

The Animal Cruelty investigation is ongoing.

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