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Homicide Arrest

Tacoma, Wash. — On September 25, 2020, at 1:34 a.m., South Sound 911 received reports of shots fired in the 3900 block of East Portland Avenue. While officers were on scene, a victim from the shooting was dropped off by a privately owned vehicle at a local hospital.

The 26-year-old male victim was pronounced deceased at the hospital.

Detectives identified the suspect in the homicide as Manuel Chapa, a 27-year-old male.

On September 28 at 10:22 a.m., the suspect was observed in a vehicle in the 8400 block of S. Hosmer St. Officers attempted to stop the vehicle and it took off at a high rate of speed. Officers pursued the vehicle to the 10700 block of Waller Road East where it crashed. The suspect fled the vehicle and containment was set up. PCSO K9 located Chapa hiding in thick underbrush approximately four blocks from the crash site. Manuel Chapa was taken into custody without injury.

Chapa was later booked into the Pierce County Jail for Murder in the First Degree.

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