

## **GLENDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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## **OFFICIAL NEWS RELEASE**

Manuel Cid Chief of Police

## Suspected Fentanyl Dealer Arrested for Death of Teen

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**Glendale, CA** – The Glendale Police Department has arrested a male suspected in the 2021 death of a Glendale teenager.

Twenty-three-year-old Heriberto Galvan of North Hollywood (see attached photo) was arrested Friday (05/05/2023) in association with the death of Tevan Gevorkian. In December 2021, Gevorkian died after he and a friend unknowingly ingested fentanyl in Glendale. The friend also suffered a medical emergency but was transported to the hospital and recovered. Medical personnel were unable to save Gevorkian.

Tevan Gevorkian was 19 years old at the time of his death. The Los Angeles County Coroner's Office ruled the death an overdose of fentanyl.

"Our deepest condolences to the family of Tevan Gevorkian. I had the pleasure of meeting Tevan's father. I learned of a life cherished by his family and numerous members of the Glendale community. Thank you to our Glendale Police Detectives, who were unwavering in their pursuit of justice. Additionally, we appreciate the partnership with the DEA in bringing Galvan to justice." -Glendale Police Chief Manny Cid

Immediately upon Gevorkian's death, Glendale Robbery / Homicide Detectives began an investigation. The cause of Gevorkian's death was known but not the source. Through a comprehensive 16-month investigation, detectives were able to trace the fentanyl back to Galvan. The Glendale Police Department made the arrest and worked with the federal Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) to indict Galvan.

Galvan was indicted on several charges, including Distribution of Fentanyl Resulting in Death, Possession with Intent to Distribute Cocaine, and multiple weapons charges. Galvan is currently in federal custody.



Anyone with information about this case are encouraged to contact the Glendale Police Department at (818) 548-4911. To remain anonymous, call (800) 222-8477.

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