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Detectives Investigating Early Morning Homicide

ABILENE, TX – The Abilene Police Department Major Investigations Bureau is investigating an early morning homicide in north Abilene. Dispatch received a call of an injured subject, stabbing, at 2:39 a.m., on Wednesday, November 24, at a facility located in the 1200 block of Ash St. in north Abilene. Officers arrived and located a 42 year old male suffering from multiple stab wounds. Police secured the scene and the victim was taken to a local hospital where he later succumbed to his injuries. Next of kin notification has been made. The victim is 42-year-old Matthew Charles Fouse, with a listed address from Lubbock. Officers arrested 18-year-old Hispanic male, Giovonta Martinez, from New Mexico, in the 1300 block of Mesquite moments after the stabbing. He is charged with First Degree Murder and is being housed at the Taylor County Jail. This investigation is ongoing.

Respectfully,

Rick Tomlin
Public Information Coordinator



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