



—RIVERSIDE COUNTY—  
**MOST WANTED  
FUGITIVES**

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**FUGITIVE OF THE WEEK  
DECEMBER 4, 2008**



**NAME:** SERGIO GUTIERREZ PADILLA  
**SEX:** M  
**GANG MEMBERSHIP:** YES  
**BIRTHDATE:** 09/06/75  
**RACE:** HISPANIC  
**HEIGHT:** 5"10  
**WEIGHT:** 180  
**HAIR COLOR:** BROWN  
**EYE COLOR:** BROWN  
**TATTOOS:**

**WANTED FOR:** MURDER  
**DATE OF CRIME:** DECEMBER 21, 1994  
**CRIME LOCATION:** DESERT HOT SPRINGS

On the evening of December 21, 1994, two men and two women were in a Desert Hot Springs park when they noticed a suspicious car circling the parking lot. Moments later, two men, from the car, approached the group and opened fire. One man died and a second man was left paralyzed as a result of the shooting. The two shooters fled the scene on foot. An investigation revealed that the shooting was gang related and may have been racially motivated. Sergio Gutierrez Padilla was believed to be one of the shooters, but law enforcement had insufficient evidence to warrant charging Padilla with murder. However, the District Attorney's Office, Bureau of Investigations has uncovered additional information that lead to Padilla being formally charged with murder in August of 2007. Padilla is known to spend time in Desert Hot Springs as well as Moreno Valley and has not been apprehended. If anyone has information on his whereabouts they are encouraged to contact **CRIME STOPPERS at (760) 341-STOP.**

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