

Arrest made in South Tahoe drive-by shooting

An ex-felon with a violent criminal past was arrested Dec. 4 in connection with the **Oct. 14 drive-by shooting** in South Lake Tahoe.



Sam Tovar

South Tahoe police officers and drug task force agents arrested 43-year-old Samuel Tovar, who also goes by David Angels and other names, at 10pm Friday at a residence on San Francisco Avenue. Bail was set at \$1 million.

Inside the apartment investigators said they found a .40-caliber Glock handgun that is believed to be the weapon used in the drive-by shooting. Also located was a 5.56 x 45mm-caliber SKS semiautomatic assault rifle. As an ex-felon Angels is prohibited from possessing firearms or ammunition.

Officers said it's possible this was a gang-related incident.

The investigation began almost two months ago, after a 19-year-old South Lake Tahoe man was shot in the leg during a drive-by shooting on Spruce Avenue in the area of Ski Run Boulevard.

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