

SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT

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MEDIA RELEASE

<u>DATE/TIME</u>: Saturday, July 30, 2011—9:04 PM <u>LOCATION</u>: 300 Block Riverside Avenue

TOPIC: Drug Sales/Parolee At Large—ARREST <u>CASE NUMBER</u>: 11S-06415

INVOLVED SUBJECTS:

1. Name: Benjamin Jaime Dess Arrested: [X] Yes [] No

Age: 24 years old Address: Transient

Charges: 11378 H&S – Possession of Methamphetamine for Sales, 3056 PC – Parolee at Large, 496 PC—

Possession of Stolen Property, 11350 H&S – Possession of a Controlled Substance (Prescription Vicodin)

2. Name: Victoria Nicklin Arrested: [X] [] No

Age: 19 years old Address: Transient

Charges: Misdemeanor Warrant

INFORMATION:

On July 30, 2011 at approximately 9:04 pm Santa Cruz Police Department officers working a detail in the Beach area spotted a Parolee at Large, Mr. Benjamin Dess. The officers saw Mr. Dess enter a motel room in the 300 block of Riverside Avenue. Mr. Dess was in the company of Victoria Nicklin. Ms. Nicklin had a misdemeanor warrant for her arrest. The officers contacted Mr. Dess and Ms. Nicklin inside the motel room. The officers subsequently searched the motel room. The officers found 5 grams of methamphetamine, prescription Vicodin, and stolen property. Mr. Dess had \$2587.00 in his possession.

Mr. Dess was arrested for selling narcotics (Methamphetamine), parole warrant, possession of stolen property, and possession of a controlled substance (prescription Vicodin). Mr. Dess was booked into the County Jail for the above listed charges. Ms. Nicklin was arrested for a misdemeanor warrant. Ms. Nicklin was booked at the County Jail.

Santa Cruz Police Officers are attempting to identify the owners of the stolen property. The stolen property includes several electronic devices.

Anyone with additional information about this incident is encouraged to call Santa Cruz Police Department Investigations at: (831) 420-5820

To Leave ANONYMOUS information regarding this incident, please call our TIP LINE (831) 420-5995 or leave an anonymous tip on our website at www.santacruzpolice.com



