



SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT
155 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

MEDIA RELEASE

DATE/TIME: April 3, 2012 – 4:40 am

LOCATION: 500 Block of Front St.

TOPIC: Assault with a Deadly Weapon (Stabbing) ARREST

CASE NUMBER: 12S-02726

INVOLVED SUBJECTS:

1. **Name:** Randolph Tolley **Arrested:** ☒ Yes ☐ No
 DOB: 44 years-old **Charges:** 245
 Santa Cruz City – Transient

VICTIM: Male – Santa Cruz Transient – 43 years-old

INFORMATION:

On April 3, 2012, at approximately 4:40 am, Santa Cruz Police Department officers were dispatched to the 500 block of Front Street for a report of a stabbing. Officers located a victim lying on his side with a single stab wound to his back. In addition, officers located a suspect, Randolph Tolley, approximately 15 feet away from the victim with a folding knife next to him.

According to the victim, he was staying in an illegal campsite with his girlfriend behind a building in the 500 block of Front Street adjacent to the suspect's campsite. The victim claims Mr. Tolley came to his campsite and began to batter him. The victim pulled out a golf club and chased the suspect to Front Street near Cathcart. The victim stated that Mr. Tolley was able to gain the upper hand, tackle him and stab him in the back.

The victim was transported to an out-of-county trauma center for the stab wound. His medical status is not immediately known. Mr. Tolley was arrested for assault with a deadly weapon and booked into Santa Cruz County Jail. Investigators are working to interview additional witnesses today to build a better picture of what occurred before the stabbing.

Anyone with additional information can contact Santa Cruz Police Department Investigations at 831.420.5820 or leave a tip via the iPhone app or on our website at www.santacruzpolice.com

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