

SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT

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MEDIA RELEASE

DATE/TIME: April 6, 2012—5:08pm **LOCATION:** 300 Block of Front Street

<u>TOPIC</u>: Bank Robbery—Named Suspect <u>CASE NUMBER</u>: 12S-02828

INVOLVED SUBJECTS:

1. Name: Wells, Alex Ryan Arrested: [XX] No

DOB: 25 year old male Charges: 211 PC

Address: Santa Cruz County Resident

VICTIM:

23 Year Old Santa Cruz Resident

Credit Union

INFORMATION:

On Friday, April 6, 2012 at approximately 5:08 pm, Santa Cruz Police Officers were dispatched to a bank robbery that occurred in the 300 block of Front Street. According to witness statements, the male suspect entered the bank and furnished a demand note to the victim teller requesting cash. After the teller complied with the suspect's demand for cash, the suspect left the bank with an undisclosed amount of money. The initial description of the male suspect was a light skinned white or Asian male, 25-28 years of age, "chubby" face, shaved head, clean shaven, medium build, 180-200 lbs, 5'08"-6'00" wearing a light grey hooded sweatshirt with writing on the front. Officers canvassed the area in search of the suspect.

Santa Cruz Police Department Detectives assisted in the processing of the scene. They received video surveillance photos from the Credit Union. In addition, they worked in conjunction with Capitola Police Department Detectives since the description was similar to a bank robbery in Capitola earlier this week.

Santa Cruz Police Detectives have identified Alex Wells as the male suspect who robbed the Credit Union. Mr. Wells photo and a video surveillance still photo is included in this e-mail. Any person with information on Mr. Wells whereabouts is encouraged to call 9-1-1. There were no injuries as a result of the robbery.

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

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