



**SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT**

155 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

**MEDIA RELEASE**

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**DATE/TIME:** August 2, 2013 10:48 PM

**LOCATION:** 1800- 2000 Block Mission St, Santa Cruz

**TOPIC:** Homicide

**CASE NUMBER:** 13S-06369

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**INFORMATION:**

On August 2, 2013 at approximately 10:48 PM, Santa Cruz Police Officers responded to a report of shots fired in the 1800 and 2000 blocks of Mission Street. Additional calls indicated a victim of a shooting who collided in the parking lot of the Burger King parking lot at 2015 Mission Street.

Emergency medical crew also responded and attempted live-saving measures for the shooting victim. The victim died at the scene. The cause of death was not related to the collision. Preliminary investigation shows the victim was involved in a rolling gun battle on Mission Street with an occupant of another vehicle. The victim was fatally shot in the course of the exchanging gunfire.

The victim was identified as a 31 year old with a last known address in Watsonville. Official identification is pending next of kin notification.

Detectives spent much of the night combing Mission Street to identify and collect evidence, as well as processing the scene in the Burger King lot. Several items of evidence were collected, including third party video along Mission St. Detectives will review the video to develop further leads. Any useful information that can be released to the public will be shared at the appropriate time.

Further information updates will follow on Saturday August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Here's the deal on updates:**

As you can see, this media release is going out very early in the morning. We will need time to process evidence and brief on the latest developments. Additional information will not be available before 1:00 PM on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please do not call our dispatch center and ask. Do not call the Watch Commander's office, or the Sergeant's office. They will NOT have any information to release to you. If you call and bother them, they will take a message for me and I will call you back....last.

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