



SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT

155 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

MEDIA RELEASE



DATE/TIME: March 10, 2015/ 9:10 pm **LOCATION:** 100 Block of Palo Verde Terrace

TOPIC: Burglary, Peeping **CASE NUMBER:** 15S-02097

INFORMATION:

On Tuesday March 10, 2015 at approximately 9:10 pm a 19 year old female noticed a male suspect looking at her through a window of her residence and the suspect tried to enter the residence. The female victim was home alone at the time and noticed the male suspect outside of her window within the inside of the secured patio area. The suspect had removed some wooden boards from the fence that secures the private patio area. The suspect was at the window, opened the window, and reached through the window to enter the residence. The victim began to scream and pointed a flashlight toward the suspect. The suspect then moved to a sliding glass window and attempted to enter the residence but failed. The victim then fled the residence and confronted the suspect inside the secured patio area. The victim was able to take several photos of the suspect, which are shown below.

The suspect then fled the area and did not harm the female victim. The suspect is described as:

White male adult, 30-40 years old, 6'1" tall, medium build, dark brown hair and a dark brown goatee. The suspect was seen wearing a dark brown baseball cap, a blue and black flannel jacket, with a white t-shirt underneath. It appears the suspect removed the baseball cap and flannel jacket prior to entering the secured patio.

Victim: a 19 year old female, Santa Cruz resident and UCSC student.

The Santa Cruz Police Department is researching possible other similar cases in the area of Palo Verde Terrace, Peach Terrace, and Castillion Terrace. In the last 4-6 months there have been other similar reported incidents, but none of the victims have actually seen the suspect in these other cases. The victims have only seen the suspect's feet or the top of his head, and have not seen his face.

The Santa Cruz Police Department is distributing fliers in the neighborhood alerting the neighbors of the activity and asking for their help to identify the suspect, and also looking to identify other possible victims in the area.

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