

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

MEDIA RELEASE



Incident

DATE/TIME: Thursday 3/3/16 2:22 am LOCATION: 1200 block of Seabright Avenue

<u>TOPIC</u>: Stabbing Arrest & Investigation <u>CASE NUMBER</u>: 16S-01868

INFORMATION:

On Thursday March 3, 2016 at around 2:22 am, Santa Cruz Police were dispatched to the 1200 block of Seabright Avenue for a stabbing. Officers arrived and made contact with a male victim, who had been attacked with a knife and was in need of medical attention. The victim sustained two stab wounds and the knife was still lodged into his back. Officers provided first-aid to the victim until members of the Santa Cruz Fire Department arrived on scene. The victim, 25 year old Santa Cruz resident, was transported by ambulance to a Bay Area trauma center for treatment of his injuries.

SCPD Officers located the suspect Damon Hahn, 30 year old from Santa Cruz near the scene. Damon Hahn was also the person who called 911 to report the stabbing. This incident is determined to not be gang related.

Detectives' preliminary investigation found that the suspect and the victim knew each other. The pair had recently met drinking at a Seabright area bar. They were walking home from the bar when they got into a physical fight. It is unclear what sparked the argument and ensuing fight. Alcohol was a factor in the attack.

At the conclusion of the investigation, Damon Hahn was arrested for attempted murder. Photo attached.

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Photo of Damon Hahn