

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

MEDIA RELEASE



DATE/TIME: May 26, 2016

TOPIC: Shooting Investigation & Arrest

LOCATION: 200 block of Washburn Ave.

CASE NUMBER: 16S-04261

INFORMATION:

The Santa Cruz Police Department is investigating a shooting that occurred on May 22, 2016 at approximately 4:09 am in the 200 block of Washburn Ave. Officers responded to reports of multiple gunshots in the area. Arriving Officers discovered a drive-by style shooting occurred at a home in the 200 block of Washburn Ave. Several shots were fired into the front door of the home. A 20 year old male victim from Santa Cruz was struck in the foot. He was transported to a Bay Area trauma center for treatment. The victim's wound was not life threatening.

SCPD Officers established a crime scene and recovered several bullets. During the investigation, witnesses reported seeing a light colored Volkswagon Jetta fleeing the scene.

The investigation has revealed that the victim and the suspect became involved in an argument during a house party at the residence. The male suspect left and then returned a short while later and fired several shots from a car into the doorway of the home. There were other people attending the party in the home at the time of the shooting. Fortunately, no one else in the home was harmed.

Detectives worked diligently over the last three days following leads and identified the suspect in the shooting. At approximately 6:30 pm on Tuesday 5/24/16, the suspect Anthony Jimenez was arrested at his workplace in Scotts Valley. Mr. Jimenez was in possession of the vehicle that matched the description from witnesses. He is 29 years old and a Watsonville resident.

On Wednesday 5/25/16, detectives served a search warrant at Mr. Jimenez's home in Watsonville and recovered additional evidence. However, the gun used in the drive-by shooting has not yet been located.

Anthony Jimenez was arrested for the following charges: attempted murder, shooting into an occupied dwelling and criminal threats. Photo attached.

If anyone has any information regarding this case please call the Santa Cruz Police Department Investigation Unit at (831) 420-5820.

For additional information, contact: Joyce Blaschke	Phone: (831) 420-5844
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Photo of Anthony Jimenez

