

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

## **MEDIA RELEASE**



## DATE/TIME: September 22, 2016 LOC

**LOCATION:** Broadway and Pennsylvania Street

**TOPIC:** Homicide Investigation

CASE NUMBER: 16S- 07983

## INFORMATION:

On Thursday September 22, 2016 at approximately 12:26 a.m. the Santa Cruz Police Department responded to the report of multiple gunshots in the area of Broadway and Pennsylvania Avenue. Upon our arrival, one victim was located with multiple gunshot wounds to his upper torso.

The victim, 23 year old Hispanic male, was transported to Dominican Hospital before being pronounced deceased. The identity of the victim is being withheld until proper notification to family members can be completed.

Police interviewed witnesses who reported hearing multiple shots. At this time, there is no further description of any vehicles or the suspects. No other persons sustained injuries as a result of the shooting.

This is the third homicide of the year. Detectives are following up on leads that developed overnight and canvassing the area looking for additional information or evidence. At this point, no motive for the shooting has been established.

Anyone who may have witnessed this incident or has information is asked to contact SCPD Investigation at 831- 420-5820. Tips can also be left through the means listed below.

For additional information, contact: Joyce Blaschke

Phone: (831) 420-5844

Anonymous tips can also be sent to the police department through our Tip Line (831) 420-5995, or from our Website; <u>www.santacruzpolice.com</u>. Tipsters can also submit an anonymous tip via our smartphone app or from an SMS text. Visit our Website for instructions.