

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

MEDIA RELEASE



DATE/TIME: November 29, 2016 LOCATION: Broadway Ave & San Lorenzo Levee

INFORMATION:

On November 28, 2016 around 8:59 p.m., Santa Cruz Police responded to the area of the east San Lorenzo levee and Broadway Avenue for report of a victim suffering from gunshot wounds. SCPD Officers found the victim in the grass near the Mimi De Marta Dog Park with two gunshot wounds, one in each leg. Officers immediately rendered first aid and applied a tourniquet to the victim.

The victim is a 23 year old male from Santa Cruz. He was flown out to a Bay Area trauma center for medical treatment and is in stable condition.

The victim and his brother stated they were walking on the levee when three subjects confronted them. The suspects demanded the victim's personal belongings. One of the suspects then pointed a handgun at the victim. A fight broke out between the victim and the armed suspect. When the victim fell down during the struggle, the suspect shot the victim twice in the legs.

All three suspects were last seen running southbound on the east Levee towards the lower Ocean St. area. SCPD Detectives are actively investigating the shooting and robbery.

-Suspect descriptions -

Suspect: (1) was described as black male adult approximately 20-25 years of age, 6'0" tall. 180 lbs. with spiky hair and was last seen wearing a black jacket and jeans. Suspect one was armed with a black semi-automatic handgun.

Suspect: (2) was also described as a black male adult, approximately 20-25 years of age, 6'0" tall, 180 lbs. and was last seen wearing a green sweatshirt and gray pants.

Suspect: (3) was described as a white male adult approximately 20-25 years of age, 5'0" tall, 150 lbs. and was last seen wearing a black/red "Santa Cruz" sweatshirt and black pants.

The Santa Cruz Police Department is asking anyone with information or who may have witnessed this shooting to contact investigators. Contact investigators 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; www.santacruzpolice.com. Tipsters can also submit an anonymous tip via our smartphone app or from an SMS text. Visit our Website for instructions.