



**SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT**

155 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

**MEDIA RELEASE**

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**DATE/TIME:** 02/13/17

**LOCATION:** Multiple

**TOPIC:** Criminal Street Gang Arrests

**CASE NUMBER:**

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**INFORMATION:**

The Department of Homeland Security Investigations in conjunction with local law enforcement made several arrests this morning throughout the County and City of Santa Cruz. These arrests stemmed from a five-year investigation into a criminal street gang organization that has been operating in the local area.

Several members of this criminal organization have been arrested and have a history of such crimes as murder, extortion, and narcotics trafficking. Firearms have been seized during this arrest operation. Further news updates will be forthcoming throughout the day.

The Department of Homeland Security Investigations is the lead agency regarding these arrests and will provide more information once the operation has been concluded.

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