



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

MEDIA RELEASE



DATE/TIME: April 28, 2017

LOCATION: 100 Block Of Leibrandt Street

TOPIC: 4/27/17 Shooting Investigation

CASE NUMBER: 17-03244

INFORMATION:

On Thursday, April 27, 2017, at approximately 9:31 p.m., Santa Cruz Police Officers responded to the area of Leibrandt Avenue and Beach Street to the report of a shooting. Officers located a man who was shot and in need of medical attention. The victim, 32 years old, sustained a single gunshot wound to the torso. Paramedics transported the victim via ambulance to a Bay Area Trauma Center for treatment. The victim's injuries are non-life-threatening.

The victim was walking his dog when gunfire struck him. Based on witness statements, the victim was not the intended target. Multiple witnesses described a group of males and females involved in an altercation with an intoxicated man. During this incident, someone from the group fired a weapon. Unfortunately, the uninvolved pedestrian walking his dog in the area was hit by gunfire.

Detectives worked throughout the night collecting evidence and following up leads to identify the suspect in this case.

The Santa Cruz Police is asking anyone with information or who may have witnessed this incident to contact the Santa Cruz Police Department Investigation Unit at (831) 420-5820.

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