



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

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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**DATE/TIME:** January 1, 2019

**LOCATION:** City of Santa Cruz

**TOPIC:** New Year's Eve Statistics 2018

**CASE NUMBER:** N/A

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### **INFORMATION:**

The Santa Cruz Police Department is pleased to announce that 2019 was welcomed without any major incidents. As part of the enacted Safety Enhancement Zone where certain Santa Cruz Municipal Code violations incur "triple fines," SCPD deployed additional officers on foot patrol throughout the Downtown corridor ensuring a safe New Year's Eve celebration for all. Crowds gathered for a city-sponsored Countdown Celebration at the Town Clock which included music and a small fireworks display to bring in the New Year. In all, the New Year's Eve event drew a crowd of approximately 2,000 revelers to the Downtown area.

Officers kept busy throughout the city and in the Downtown corridor. Between 5:00 PM on December 31st and 2:00 AM on January 1st, officers responded to 119 calls for service and reported the following activity:

**Total Arrests: 18 arrests-mostly consisting of public intoxication**

**Total Citations Issued: 7 citations-6 of which were Triple Fine citations**

Photo attached.

**For additional information, contact: Lieutenant Vasquez**

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