

SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT

155 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060 www.santacruzpolice.com

MEDIA RELEASE

DATE/TIME: March 27, 2019 **LOCATION:** 100 block of Park Place

TOPIC: Discharging a Firearm <u>CASE NUMBER</u>: 19S-02033

INVOLVED SUBJECTS:

1. Name: Carlos Gascali-Zarraga Arrested: YES

DOB: 21 Charges: Carry Concealed Weapon & Discharge a firearm

in negligent manner.

2. Name: Izaiah Arostigui Hernandez Arrested: Yes

DOB: 21 Charges: Carry Concealed Dirk

VICTIM(S):

INFORMATION:

On Monday March 26, 2019 @ 9:40pm, Santa Cruz Police arrested two (2) subjects for being involved in a shooting occurring in the beach area.

When officers arrived they found multiple shell casings in the 100 block of Park Place. During the investigation, officers located and arrested two subjects involved in the incident.

Gascali- Zarraga was located hiding in the back of a parked vehicle on Beach St near the intersection of Park Place. When he was located, it was determined he had a gunshot wound to his leg. While he was being treated by medical personnel, a holster was located inside of his pants and injuries indicative to gun powder burns on his thigh. He also sustained injuries to his calf. Gascali- Zarraga was uncooperative and denied knowing what happened to him. At this time, it appears he had accidently shot himself in the leg. Further review of security cameras in the area, captured Gascali- Zarraga shooting a pistol.

Arostigui-Hernandez was detained by officers while in the area. During the investigation Arostigui-Hernandez became uncooperative and had to be detained in handcuffs. When officers attempted to detain him a struggle ensued. Officers and a security guard assisting the Santa Cruz Police, fell to the ground. Unbeknownst to the officers Arostigui-Hernandez had a pocket knife in his pants pocket with the blade open and locked in place. The security guard who fell on top of Arostigui-Hernandez was injured by the knife. The guard sustained a puncture wound to his leg.

Gascali- Zarraga was arrested for discharging a firearm in a negligent manner and carrying a concealed weapon.

Arostigui-Hernandez was arrested for False Identification to a Peace Officer and Possession of a concealed dirk/dagger.

Currently there are no reports of any victims being struck by the gunfire.

The Santa Cruz Police Department is still investigating and urges anyone who witnessed the incident or has any information, to call our Investigations Section @ 831.420.5820.

If you want to make an anonymous call regarding the incident, please call 831.420.5995

For additional information, contact: Lt. Warren Barry Phone: (831) 420-5859



