

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

MEDIA RELEASE



<u>DATE/TIME</u>: May 27, 2019 <u>LOCATION</u>: Third St. / Kay St.

<u>UPDATE:</u> Stabbing Suspect Arrest <u>CASE NUMBER</u>: 19S-03606

INFORMATION:

UPDATE: The Santa Cruz Police Department arrested a suspect from the Sunday, May 26, 2019 stabbing that occurred on 3rd Street near Kaye Street at 6:41 pm. Detectives worked throughout the night to reconstruct the crime and identified the suspect in the stabbing as Jose Cantor, age 18, from Antioch.

Detectives recovered video surveillance of a fight instigated by a group of local gang members when they encountered four people visiting from Antioch who parked their car on 3rd Street. The local gangsters started displaying gang signs, shouting threats, and initiated the fight, which included the use of a skateboard and broken bottle. The visiting group fought back. Once the stabbing happened, everyone fled. Detectives do not believe the group from Antioch is gang affiliated.

The victim, from Santa Cruz, survived his injuries and was uncooperative with investigators in the case.

Jose Cantor, from Antioch, was arrested for Assault with a Deadly Weapon

BACKGROUND: On Sunday evening, May 26, 2019, at approximately 1841 hours, Santa Cruz Police Officers dispatched to a fight in progress in the area of Third and Kaye Streets. Responding officers received a description of the involved subjects and obtained a vehicle description and license plate. All involved parties fled the area before Officers arrived on the scene.

Santa Cruz Police Officers began searching for the suspect vehicle and involved parties. Within several minutes, SCPD Officers located the suspect vehicle at a nearby motel. SCPD Officers also detained five subjects possibly involved in the incident at the same motel where the suspect vehicle was located. The victim was taken from the initial scene to Dominican Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of multiple stab wounds to his arms and torso. The victim was air transported to a nearby trauma center due to the severity of his injuries.

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Case 19S-03606 Photo of Jose Cantor

