

SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT

155 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060





DATE/TIME: July 9, 2020 LOCATION: Scotts Valley, CA

TOPIC: Arrest of Shooting Suspect **CASE NUMBER:** 20S-03184

INVOLVED SUBJECTS:

1. Name: Marguez Jamar Blanchard DOB: 28yrs Arrested: Yes

2. **Charges:** Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Felon in possession of a firearm, Felon in possession of

VICTIM(S): Adult Male

INFORMATION

After a lengthy investigation surrounding a shooting that occurred on June 3, 2020 in the 400 block of Cedar St in the city of Santa Cruz, the suspect, Marquez Jamar Blanchard has been arrested in this case.

Santa Cruz Police Detectives were able to identify 28 year old Marquez Jamar Blanchard as being directly involved in the shooting. A warrant was issued for his arrest, and he was apprehended in the city of Scotts Valley on Thursday July 9, 2020. His arrest and follow-up search warrant was conducted by the Santa Cruz Police Emergency Services Unit, Detectives assigned to the case.

The Santa Cruz Police Department would like to thank the Santa Cruz County Gang Task Force and Scotts Valley Police Department for their assistance in this case.

Blanchard was book into the Santa Cruz County Jail.

Previous Press Release:

On Wednesday June 3, 2020 at approximately 7pm. The Santa Cruz Police Department responded to a victim of a shooting in the 400 block of Cedar St. When the initial officer arrived on scene he found the victim on the ground suffering from a gunshot wound to their leg. The victim was losing a large of amount of blood. The initial officer preformed lifesaving measures and applied a tourniquet. The victim was transported to a trauma hospital in San Jose.

Currently Detectives are following up with the victim and witnesses. Detectives have collected evidence from the scene. At this time all motives for the crime are being investigated. The victim is currently recovering at the hospital.

While the incident occurred during the time of the Black Lives Matter march, the two incidents are separate and not related in anyway.

Anyone with information about this case is encouraged to contact the Santa Cruz Police Department Investigations Unit (831) 420-5820.

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

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