



# SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT

155 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

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## **Santa Cruz Police Reminds "There's NO Excuse for Domestic Violence" in support of Domestic Violence Awareness Month**

SANTA CRUZ, CA - October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Throughout the month, Santa Cruz Police Department will share the vital message of domestic violence awareness with our community, reminding survivors that they are not alone in their struggles and encouraging them to seek help.

Domestic violence is pervasive, affecting people of all backgrounds and cultures. If you or a loved one is experiencing domestic abuse and is unsure where to turn, please know there is help available.

Never hesitate to call law enforcement at 9-1-1. The 24-hour domestic violence hotlines in Santa Cruz County are Monarch Services at 888-900-4232 and Walnut Avenue Family & Women's Center at 866-269-2559. National Domestic Violence Hotline <http://www.thehotline.org>.

Santa Cruz Police Victim Advocates and local service providers help survivors get medical care, counseling referrals, safety planning, relocation planning, legal resources, emotional support, and more.

"Reducing domestic violence takes a community effort, and our department is committed to showing support for victims," said Chief Bernie Escalante. As a reminder, patrol vehicles will display - There's NO Excuse for Domestic Violence - bumper stickers.

Help SCPD shine a light on this issue and strengthen our community's awareness.



**SCPD is giving away FREE - There's NO Excuse for Domestic Violence - stickers** to the community at SCPD Lobby on 155 Center Street. Lobby open Monday - Thursday, 9 am -4 pm.

SCPD will continue to share information on our social media channels about Domestic Violence throughout October to increase awareness and help those struggling access resources.

Photo Attached | Detective & Officer holding There's NO Excuse for Domestic Violence sticker.

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