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New Year's Eve Downtown Corridor In Santa Cruz Designated Safety Enhancement Zone

SANTA CRUZ — As in previous years, the Santa Cruz Police Department will deploy all available officers to ensure a safe New Year's Eve environment. To encourage respectful behavior, the Santa Cruz Police Department enacts a Safety Enhancement Zone designation in the downtown corridor.

The Safety Enhancement Zone begins at 2:00 PM on Saturday, December 31, 2022, and ends at 5:00 AM on Sunday, January 1, 2023. The Safety Enhancement Zone allows for a "Triple Fine" levied for certain Municipal Code violations, such as possessing alcoholic beverages in public and other unsafe or illegal behavior-related Ordinances.

Additionally, the city canceled the sponsored DJ and midnight fireworks show at the town clock this year.

Patrolling officers will use proactive strategies to minimize problems and reduce the opportunity for alcohol-fueled issues and inappropriate behavior throughout downtown and the city.

A map of the Safety Enhancement Zone boundaries is attached.

For New Year's Eve media relations, contact Lt. Carter Jones (831) 420-5992 or cjones@cityofsantacruz.com

**New Years Eve
Downtown Corridor
Safety Enhancement Zone**

