



## SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT

155 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

# MEDIA RELEASE

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**DATE/TIME:** February 20, 2013

**LOCATION:** 500 Block of Poplar Ave

**TOPIC:** Home Invasion Robbery

**CASE NUMBER:** 13S-01560

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### **SUSPECT #1**

Cuactemec Xilonzochilt-Zamora, 28 Years – Santa Cruz Resident

### **SUSPECT #2**

Hispanic male Adult, 25 – 30 years old

5' 6" to 5' 9" Tall, 160 – 170 lbs

Dark complexion,

### **INFORMATION:**

On February 20, 2013 at approximately 4:25 AM, Santa Cruz Police received a 9-1-1 call of a home invasion robbery occurring at a residence in the 500 block of Poplar Ave. Officers arrived to find the residents restraining the above named suspect on the front lawn of the home.

Officers learned that the adult residents were awakened by both suspects who had entered the home and eventually the bedroom of the adult occupants. The suspects had their faces covered and were demanding cash. One suspect was armed with a screwdriver, while the other was armed with a decorative sword belonging to the victims. The sword was obtained from inside the home. The suspects continued to demand cash, and attempted to bind the adult occupants with duct tape. The duct tape failed and the suspects attempted to use an electrical cord.

The suspects learned there were children inside the home, and made a threat to the adults regarding the welfare of the children. The adults broke free of their bindings and began to fight with the suspects. The adult occupants engaged in a prolonged fight with the suspects while one of the children inside the home eventually was able to call 9-1-1. In the course of the fight, the second suspect fled the home. The suspect was able to flee with items of value from the home. Suspect Xilonzochilt-Zamora was eventually pinned to the ground in the front yard of the residence until police arrived. Mr. Xilonzochilt-Zamora was found to have a wallet belonging to one of the victims in his pocket.

Arriving officers conducted a search of the neighborhood for the second suspect. He was not located. His description is listed above. Mr. Xilonzochilt-Zamora was taken into custody by arriving officers and eventually booked into Santa Cruz County Jail on charges of (1) Robbery, (2) burglary, (3) False Imprisonment, (4) Possession of Methamphetamine, (5) Assault with a Deadly Weapon. Mr. Xilonzochilt-Zamora has a history of previous arrests including burglary and drug offenses.

Detectives are continuing to attempt to identify the second suspect in this case. A significant amount of forensic evidence was collected and we are hopeful it will assist in the identification.

The adult occupants of the home sustained minor injuries that resulted from the prolonged fight with the suspects. Their injuries did not require medical treatment.

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