



SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT

155 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

MEDIA RELEASE

DATE/TIME: March 13, 2014

LOCATION: 510 Errett Circle

TOPIC: False Report of an Emergency

CASE NUMBER: 14S-01971

Arrested:

Kyle Lee Allala – 24 yrs, Santa Cruz Resident

INFORMATION

On March 13, 2014, at 2:10 PM, Santa Cruz Police Officers responded to a report of a shooting that occurred in an apartment at 510 Errett Circle. The caller reported a male and female were arguing in an adjacent apartment and that the argument ended with the male shooting the female. The caller further reported the male was outside the apartment building with the handgun.

Arriving officers located the caller who was later identified as Mr. Kyle Lee Allala. While the initial responding officers were trying to get further information, Mr. Allala suffered a medical seizure and was transported by ambulance to Dominican Hospital.

Meanwhile, officers established a perimeter around the neighborhood and began searching for the reported gunman. A City Watch (reverse 9-1-1) call and Nixle Alert were sent to the neighborhood advising residents to shelter in place while police investigated. A neighboring school at the Garfield Park Church was placed in lock-down while officers secured the area.

Because of the seriousness of the threat, the Santa Cruz Police Department activated our Emergency Services Unit Tactical team (SWAT) to assist in securing the area. Several surrounding law enforcement agencies assisted in perimeter duties as well as a fixed-wing aircraft from the County Sheriff's Office.

Officers located a 44 year old male who was reported as the gunman. Once the reported gunman was located, the subsequent investigation quickly revealed that no shooting had occurred. Investigators also contacted the reported victim (the 33 year old girlfriend) and confirmed she was unharmed and not at the apartment. Tactical team members completed a security sweep of the area to ensure no other victims or possible threats existed.

Once it was determined that no threat existed, roadways were opened, and the neighboring school was taken out of lock-down status.

Follow up investigation with the caller, Mr. Allala showed he was under the influence of narcotics. Mr. Allala was arrested for being under the influence of narcotics and for making a false report of a crime/emergency, both misdemeanor offenses. A current booking photo of Mr. Allala was not available at the time of this media release. The attached photo is from a 2012 arrest.

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