



SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT
155 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

MEDIA RELEASE



Incident

DATE/TIME: February 3, 2016

LOCATION: 100 block of Tosca Terrace

TOPIC: Identify Child Luring Suspect

CASE NUMBER: 16S-00969

INFORMATION:

The Santa Cruz Police Department is asking for the public's help to identify a suspect wanted in connection to a child luring case. The suspect attempted to lure a 12 year old boy into his car on the upper west side of Santa Cruz.

Suspect sketch and image of vehicle are attached on following pages.

The incident happened on Wednesday 2/03/2016 at approximately 4:00 p.m. when the suspect tried to lure the juvenile victim into his car. The boy was riding his skateboard near his home when he noticed a car driving back and forth on the street. The suspect then parked near the 12 year old boy and asked if he wanted to get in. The boy said "No". The driver then drove a few feet closer to the boy and attempted to lure the boy into his car. The boy then ran off and notified his parents who in turn called the police.

The suspect was described as a Hispanic male, 5'6", in his mid-30 with yellowish teeth. He was wearing a short sleeve gray shirt. The suspect spoke in English with a heavy Spanish accent. The suspect fled the area driving a light gold compact sedan with faded paint. An image of the suspect vehicle was captured from a nearby residence's security camera.

Residents are urged to be on the lookout for this vehicle and to call 911 if they see any suspicious activity. Parents are encouraged to caution their kids to be aware of their surroundings and to simply run if approached by a stranger.

Anyone with information relative to the suspect's identity is encouraged to contact the Santa Cruz Police Department Investigations Unit (831) 420-5820.

For additional information, contact: Joyce Blaschke

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Anonymous tips can also be sent to the police department through our Tip Line (831) 420-5995, or from our Website; www.santacruzpolice.com . Tipsters can also submit an anonymous tip via our smartphone app or from an SMS text. Visit our Website for instructions.

Sketch of Suspect in Child Luring Case #16S-00969

- HM
- mid 30's
- 5'6"
- wt?
- "chubby"
- Dk Brn Hair
- Brn Eyes
- Dk Complexion
- mustache
- goatee
- No piercings
- No tattoos
- No piercings
- gold necklace
- "yellowish" teeth



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Surveillance Image of Suspect Vehicle in Child Luring Case #16S-00969

