

Marina Police Department

MEDIA RELEASE

INCIDENT:

MURDER

DATE OF INCIDENT:

Saturday, March 26, 2011

TIME OF INCIDENT:

10:22 PM

LOCATION OF INCIDENT:

200 Block Cypress Ave.

DEPARTMENT CONTACT:

Lieutenant Richard Janicki, PIO (831) 884-1234

A 17-year old male died at Natividad Medical Center from a gunshot wound suffered during a reported shooting in the City of Marina. The victim's identity is being withheld pending notification to his family.

On March 26, 2011 at approximately 10:22 PM Marina Police was sent to a report of shots being fired in the 200 block of Cypress Avenue. Upon arrival officers contacted a teenage male who said he went to check his vehicle after hearing suspicious noises. Suddenly someone started shooting at him. He retreated into his home. He was not shot, but suffered a minor foot injury.

Approximately twenty minutes later two teenage males arrived at Natividad Medical Center's emergency department. One of them had suffered a single gunshot wound to the upper torso. The victim was pronounced dead after efforts to save him failed. His companion initially reported they had been shot at when they were walking in the area of the Salinas Transit Center and had been taken to the hospital by a Good Samaritan. He later admitted to investigators that the victim had been shot in Marina.

Detectives worked throughout the evening gathering evidence and contacting witnesses. At least two people wearing dark clothing were seen at the Cypress Ave. shooting. The victim may have been left at the hospital by someone driving a red compact vehicle. If anyone has information please contact the Marina Police Department at (831) 384 7575.