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Sheriff's deputies make swift arrest in attempted homicide in El Granada, no ongoing threat to the community

EL GRANADA, Calif. – San Mateo County Sheriff's deputies quickly located and arrested a suspect for attempted homicide following a brutal attack involving known individuals in El Granada Wednesday night.

On December 18, 2024, at around 7:45 p.m., Sheriff's deputies assigned to the Coastside Patrol Bureau were dispatched to the area of Coronado St. and Obispo Rd. in El Granada on the report of a man who was running through traffic and appeared to be badly injured. Responding deputies located the 37-year-old victim who was suffering from major injuries to his head and face, rendered immediate aid and learned he was the victim of a serious assault. EMS responded to the scene, stabilized the victim and transported him to an area hospital for treatment.

Witnesses told deputies they saw a possible suspect running northbound from the area and provided a description of the suspect. Deputies set up a perimeter and quickly located the suspect, identified as 39-year-old Josef A. Holloway of Half Moon Bay. Holloway was found to be in possession of corresponding evidence, the weapon believed to be used in the attack, drugs and paraphernalia. The weapon was recovered by deputies and there is believed to be no ongoing threat to the community.

As a result of the investigation, Holloway was arrested and booked into the Maguire Correctional Facility on the below listed charges:

664/187 PC - Attempted Homicide

11377HS - Possession of a controlled substance

11364HS - Possession of narcotics paraphernalia

The investigation is ongoing. If anyone has further information or witnessed anything leading up to and including this incident, please call the Sheriff's Office at 650-363-4911, the anonymous tip line at 1-800-547-2700 or email Deputy Kuhl at mkuhl@smcgov.org.

The Sheriff's Office would like to thank the observant community members who assisted with sharing vital information related to this investigation.