

## MONTEREY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## Intensive Homicide Investigation Culminates in Arrest of Murder Suspect

On February 13, 2022, at approximately 1:10 A.M., the Monterey Police Department responded to a call of a fight outside of Cibo's Restaurant, in the 300 Block of Alvarado Street, Monterey. When patrol officers arrived they encountered a chaotic situation that involved multiple people. Shortly thereafter, the MPD learned that a private party had transported a stabbing victim to the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula (CHOMP). MPD sent resources to CHOMP and determined that the victim, Dexter Barnett Jr., twenty-eight years of age of Seaside, had succumbed to his injuries.

The MPD determined that many of the victim's friends had also arrived at the hospital and that they had witnessed or had information related to the homicide. The MPD called back every detective and command officer and requested allied law enforcement agency support. The Monterey County Sheriff's Department, Seaside PD, Marina PD, Pacific Grove PD and CSUMB PD all responded to assist.

The initial investigation was assumed by the MPD Investigations Division detectives and was supplemented by other MPD personnel who had previously worked as detectives. An intensive investigative process was undertaken to work the crime scene, gather evidence, interview witnesses, follow leads, identify a suspect and work with the District Attorney's Office and other law enforcement agencies to file charges and locate the suspect.

The investigation revealed that Gilbert Scott Jr, 25, of Sacramento, was responsible for Barnett Jr's death. On February 18, 2022, an arrest warrant was issued for Scott Jr for violation of Penal Code 187(a) - Murder, 12022(b)(1) PC - Use of a deadly weapon during the commission of a felony, and <math>12022.1(b) PC - Committing a felony while out on bail.

The United States Marshals Service assisted the Monterey Police Department in locating Scott Jr. On April 19, 2022, Scott Jr was located and arrested on the above charges in Phoenix, Arizona.



Gilbert Scott Jr

The Monterey Police Department encourages anyone who has additional information regarding this investigation to please contact Sergeant Aaron Delgado at 831-646-3814 or <u>delgado@monterey.org</u>. If you wish to remain anonymous, you can contact the tip line at 831-646-3840.

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