



# **PRESS RELEASE**

**TYPE OF INCIDENT:** Violent Assault on Deputies

**LOCATION:** Santa Clara County Main Jail (150 W. Hedding Street, San Jose, CA)

**CASE NUMBER:** 23-148-0268J

Sheriff Robert Jonsen  
Office of the Sheriff  
Santa Clara County  
55 W. Younger Avenue  
San Jose, CA 95110

## **DETAILS:**

A shocking and unprovoked attack occurred at the Santa Clara County Main Jail in San Jose, where two correctional deputies fell victim to a violent assault by an inmate armed with a jail-made knife. The incident occurred on May 28, 2023 at 7:22PM.

The unprovoked incident unfolded when the inmate attacked two correctional deputies with a jail-made knife inside the Main Jail - Module 6B. The man exited his cell and approached the deputies with the knife, posing an immediate threat to the safety and well-being of the deputies. After a physical struggle on the ground, the two deputies along with assistance from other deputies restrained the man and took him into physical custody.

Medical attention was immediately provided to the injured deputies and they were transported to a local hospital for further treatment. Both deputies were later released from the hospital with moderate injuries to their hands and shoulder where they sustained lacerations and puncture wounds. Given the violent nature of the incident, Sheriff's Office Homicide Detectives as well as Crime Scene Investigators responded to the jail to immediately investigate the circumstances.

"Our correctional deputies play a critical role in maintaining law and order within the correctional facilities and this attack serves as a stark reminder of the risks our deputies face daily. I am proud of these dedicated deputies who put their lives and safety on the line each and every day." -Sheriff Robert Jonsen, Santa Clara County Sheriff

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