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## Media Release: March 26, 2019 Inmate attempts escape during hospital visit

**CASE #:** 19-2594  
**LOCATION:** 1555 Soquel Drive, Santa Cruz  
**SUSPECT:** Joshua Andrew Nay, 32  
**CRIME:** 4532(b)(1) PC      Attempted Escape      Felony  
242PC      Battery      Misdemeanor

A security officer was injured while helping a Deputy prevent an escape during a visit to Dominican Hospital on Monday.

Joshua Nay, 32, has been in custody at the Santa Cruz County Jail since March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. Yesterday, Nay was taken to Dominican Hospital for medical evaluation. While being transferred within the facility, Nay pulled away from restraints and tried to kick a deputy in the head. The deputy along with a Dominican Hospital Security Officer tried to restrain Nay but he fought back and bit the Security Officer. Nay told the deputy that he was leaving the hospital as he struggled to get away. They called for help and were able to safely regain control of Nay before he escaped.

Nay was arrested for attempted escape in addition to battery. He was returned to the jail where his bail is set at \$25,000.

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