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Media Release: January 5, 2021 Unmanned Aerial System Annual Report

As part of our commitment to the community, we are releasing this annual report regarding the usage of the Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) Team.

The UAS Team consists of 11 members of the Sheriff's Office who are certified under Code of Federal Regulations Title 14 part 107 to fly drones in a commercial capacity.

In 2020 the UAS was deployed 25 times. Those deployments included search and rescue operations, suspect searches, crime scene documentation, high risk incidents and search warrants.

Below are the dates, locations, and circumstances for each public deployment in 2020:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mission Type</u>	<u>Outcome</u>
1/17/2020	50 Front St., Santa Cruz	Suspect search/Child Abduction	Assisted in perimeter security
1/23/2020	Grant St. Park, Santa Cruz	High Risk vehicle stop	Vehicle cleared
2/25/2020	Hwy-1/Davenport	Missing Person	Negative Results
2/28/2020	Beach Area Davenport	Missing Person	Negative Results
3/03/2020	800 Graham Hill Rd, Santa Cruz	Crime Scene Documentation	Scene Documentation
3/25/2020	2500 Glenwood Dr. Scotts Valley	Suspect Search/Barricaded	Suspect Arrested
4/08/2020	E. Zayante/Woodmill Rd, Felton	Suspect Search	Negative Results
5/21/2020	Glenwood Dr./Fern Dr.	High Risk vehicle stop	Vehicle cleared
5/24/2020	2000 block Soquel Ave., Santa Cruz	Search Warrant	Assisted in perimeter security
6/01/2020	New Brighton State Beach	Missing Person	Missing person located elsewhere
6/06/2020	Empire Grade/Fire Road, Ben Lomond	Suspect Search	Negative Results
7/01/2020	Panther Beach, Santa Cruz	Missing Person	Subject located deceased elsewhere
7/02/2020	Panther Beach, Santa Cruz	Missing Person (continuation)	Subject located deceased elsewhere
7/04/2020	Calabasas School, Watsonville	Suspect Search	Negative Results
7/21/2020	16 Wilkie Ave. Watsonville	Search Warrant	Assisted in perimeter security
7/21/2020	2700 block of Freedom Blvd. Watsonville	Suspect Search	Suspects arrested

7/22/2020	901 Capitola Rd. #B, Santa Cruz	Search Warrant	Assisted in perimeter security
8/07/2020	Pacific Ave./Laurel St., Santa Cruz	Search for firearm	Negative results
9/25/2020	Boulder Creek/Bonny Doon	CZU Fire Disaster	Disaster Scene Documentation
9/26/2020	103 Mar Vista Dr.	Search Warrant	Assisted in perimeter security
10/20/2020	200 Olive Springs Rd., Soquel	Search Warrant	Search for suspect vehicle
10/23/2020	30465 Highland Way, Los Gatos	Search Warrant	Assisted in perimeter security
11/07/2020	Ramsey Park, Watsonville	Missing Person	Subject located elsewhere
11/08/2020	1000 Bonny Doon Rd., Felton	Missing Person	Negative results
11/09/2020	1800 Felton Quarry Rd., Felton	Missing Person (continuation)	Negative results

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