

# LEMOORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



## PRESS RELEASE

On September 1, 2016 at about 11:20 pm Lemoore police officers were dispatched to the 300 block of W. D Street for a report that someone had been shot in the leg. Officers contacted a male in his 20s, who said he walked away from an ATM when a male approached him and asked if he had a dollar. The victim told the male, later identified as 19 year old Dakota Sherwood of Lemoore, he did not and the two exchanged words. Two other males then joined Sherwood. The victim said that all three subjects then pulled out knives, charged towards him, and swung their knives at him. The victim ran into his apartment building and got his cell phone and went back outside. He said that Sherwood was standing in front of the building with the knife in his hand. He yelled at Sherwood, asking him why he pulled a knife on him. Sherwood then ran across the street and the victim followed him. While he was following Sherwood, the victim felt his leg get hit several times so he thought he had been shot. The victim ran back towards his residence and told his neighbor to call the police. Officers checked the victim for injuries and noticed several red marks on his leg, which were possibly caused by a bb or pellet gun.

Sherwood was identified as the suspect with the knife. He was contacted and told officers that he was in the area when someone tried to hit him with a bat. He denied having a knife or approaching anyone.

Sherwood was arrested and booked at the Kings County Jail for assault with a deadly weapon and conspiracy. His bail was set at \$50,000.

A 16 year old male was also contacted in the area and was identified by witnesses as the suspect who had the gun. He was arrested and booked into the Kings County Juvenile Hall for illegally discharging a bb gun in a negligent manner and conspiracy.