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South County Gun Buyback DA Partners with Gilroy and Morgan Hill PDs

The Santa Clara County DA's Office is partnering with the Gilroy and Morgan Hill police departments and others to sponsor a \$50,000 gun buyback in the South Bay on December 14, 2019.

The Gun Buyback, South County's first buy back in 25 years, is aimed at getting unwanted weapons out of homes and away from the hands of criminals, mentally unstable people, and children.

On December 14, 2019, people can anonymously turn in unwanted guns at the Gilroy Corporation Yard and receive cash. No questions will be asked about whose gun it is or where it came from.

The buyback comes less than three months after a mass shooting at the Gilroy Garlic Festival left three victims dead and 17 wounded; and close to four months after a shooting at a car dealership in Morgan Hill that left two victims dead.

"Our communities are still grieving, but we are not standing still," District Attorney Jeff Rosen said. "We're hoping we can turn a lot of dangerous and unwanted weapons gathering dust in safes, closets and garages into a happier, safer holiday season in Santa Clara County."

Event Details:

- Location: City of Gilroy Corporation Yard, 613 Old Gilroy Street, Gilroy
- Date: Saturday, December 14, 2019
- Time: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Exchange Details:

- \$100 for handguns, rifles, and shotguns
- \$200 for assault weapons
- Firearms must be functional
- Limit 5 firearms per person

Weapons must be functional. Guns collected will be checked for lost or stolen status, and if applicable, will be returned to their legal owners. All other firearms will be destroyed. Please transport UNLOADED weapons in the trunk of your car. No walk-ups. No ammunition. First come, first served - funds are limited. We reserve the right to limit funds to an individual, regardless of the number of weapons surrendered.

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