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## **Three Sentenced to Life for Compton Shooting That Wounded Child**

Three gang members were sentenced today for shooting at a group of men and wounding a young boy in a passing car in 2017, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Luis Julian Beltran Perez, 24, was sentenced to 120 years to life in state prison. Edgar Manuel Rosas, 36, and Salvador Sanchez, 21, both received a 30-years-to-life sentence.

The three defendants also were ordered to pay \$4,097 to the California Victim Compensation Board.

Perez, Rosas and Sanchez were all found guilty last November of two counts of attempted murder as well as three counts of shooting at an occupied motor vehicle.

The jury also found true allegations of use of a firearm and that the shooting was committed for the benefit of, at the direction of, and in association with a criminal street gang.

Deputy District Attorney Shannon Cooley of the Hardcore Gang Division said Perez also was found guilty of three counts of attempted voluntary manslaughter and the jury found the attempted murders were willful, deliberate and premeditated.

On June 7, 2017, the defendants confronted a group of men standing in front of a liquor store near Atlantic Avenue and Compton Boulevard in Compton.

According to evidence presented in court, Perez then retrieved a gun and began shooting at the group. One of the stray bullets struck a 4-year-old child in the head who was sitting in a passing vehicle.

Deputies from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Compton Station, responded to the area within minutes and transported the child in their patrol car to the hospital, where he received immediate life-saving medical attention, the prosecutor said.

The case was investigated by the Sheriff's Department.

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