

# **Amtrak releases update on battered passenger found near Truckee**

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An update from national rail carrier Amtrak on Thursday evening answered few questions about its investigation into how one of its passengers ended up severely injured beside train tracks in Truckee.

Aaron Salazar, a 22-year-old college student traveling by rail from Colorado to Oregon, was found battered, burned and unconscious just feet from the train tracks on the east edge of Truckee on May 15.

His family believes he was attacked, a victim of a hate crime because he is gay.

But Amtrak maintains its police force has found “nothing to suggest criminal intent.”

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