



## NEWS RELEASE

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**Incident:** Traffic collision resulting in a DUI arrest.

**Location:** Johnson Dr. and North Bank Dr.

**Date/Time Occurred:** 10/9/16 @ 0224 hours

**Officer(s) Involved:** VPD Patrol

**Victim(s):** Male Driver

**Suspect(s):** Emily Romero, 25 years old, Port Hueneme resident.

**Report #:** 16-14050

**Narrative:**

On the above date and time Ventura Police officers responded to a traffic collision involving two vehicles in the intersection of Johnson Dr. and North Bank Dr. in Ventura. Upon arrival one of the vehicles was disabled in oncoming lanes of travel on Johnson Drive. The subsequent investigation revealed Emily Romero ran a red light at the intersection and broadsided the victim vehicle that was proceeding through the intersection. Romero's vehicle became disabled and ended up blocking opposing traffic lanes.

Romero showed signs of being under the influence of alcohol and marijuana. Upon completion of a D.U.I. investigation it was determined Romero was driving impaired as a result of being under the combined influence of alcohol and marijuana and could not operate her vehicle safely. Romero was arrested and booked at the Ventura County Jail for violating Vehicle Code Section 23152(f) - driving under the combined influence of alcohol and drugs.

The Ventura Police Department would like to remind drivers that the use of marijuana can impair one's ability to operate a vehicle safely and can lead to an arrest just like the use of alcohol. This also applies to any illegal drug or legally prescribed substance that causes impairment.

*The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at [www.venturapd.org](http://www.venturapd.org)*

*If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.*

*If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.*

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