



## NEWS RELEASE

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**Incident:** Strong Armed Robbery

**Location:** 1440 Eastman Ave. (Regency Theater)

**Date/Time Occurred:** 12/12/16 @ 1248 hours

**Officer(s) Involved:** Ventura PD Patrol

**Victim:** Regency Theater

**Suspect(s):**

#1: Black male, 20's, wearing a hospital mask and dark hooded sweatshirt

#2: Black male, 20's, wearing a green hooded sweatshirt

**Report #:** 16-17126

**Narrative:**

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Department Command Center received a 911 call of a strong armed robbery that had just occurred at Regency Theater, 1440 Eastman Ave. It was reported the suspects fled the scene with an undisclosed amount of money in a silver sedan, possibly a Ford, with paper plates.

During the investigation, officers learned that a theater employee had just returned from making a deposit at a local bank. He was walking in the parking lot of the theater when the suspect vehicle approached him. The suspect wearing a hospital mask and dark hooded sweatshirt exited the vehicle and tackled the employee. The employee was holding a deposit bag, and a struggle ensued over the bag. The second suspect, who had been driving the suspect vehicle also exited the vehicle and tried to forcefully take the deposit bag from the employee. The employee released the bag, at which time both suspects go back into the vehicle and fled the area.

Officers checked the area, but were unable to locate the suspect vehicle. The employee sustained very minor injuries as a result of the incident.

Anyone with information about this crime is asked to contact the Ventura Police Department at 339-4488. An anonymous tip can be made by calling Crime Stoppers at (800) 222-TIPS.

*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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