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POLICE DEPARTMENT

NEWS RELEASE

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VENTURA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Incident: ***UPDATED*** Homicide Investigation – Stabbing

Location: Main St. and Ash St.

Date/Time Occurred: 12/4/16 @ 0729 hrs.

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol, Ventura Police Detectives, Ventura City Fire

Victim: Adult Male, 51 years, possible vagrant

Suspect(s): Matthew Paoli, 33 years, Palmdale Resident

Report #: 16-16713

Narrative:

On 12/4/16, at approximately 0729 hours, the Ventura Police Department's Command Center received a call from a Gold Coast Transit bus driver reporting a non-responsive subject at a bus stop on the corner of Main St. and Ash St. Officers, along with Ventura City Fire personnel responded to the scene and found the victim, a 51-year-old male, suffering from multiple stab wounds to his upper torso. The victim was pronounced deceased.

Detectives and Crime Scene Investigators are on scene and conducting the investigation. At this time, there is no suspect information. Additional information will be released as it becomes available.

There is no impact to traffic in the area, but the immediate scene will be closed for several hours. The Ventura County Medical Examiner's office is also on scene.

If anyone has information related to this crime, they are encouraged to call (805) 339-4416 or make an anonymous tip to Crime Stoppers at (800) 222-TIPS.

UPDATED INFORMATION

Over the course of the investigation, Ventura Police Department Major Crimes detectives identified Paoli as the suspect.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at 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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Today, at approximately 1525 hours, Paoli was seen in the area of Santa Clara St. and Laurel St., and was taken into custody without incident.

Paoli was booked into Ventura County Jail for murder.

No additional information about the investigation will be released at this time.

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