Incident:  Sexual Predator Sting Operation with 3 Felony Arrests

Location:  2100 Block of S. Victoria Ave.

Date/Time Occurred:  1-27-17 between 1200-2400

Officer(s) Involved:  VPD Major Crimes Detectives, VPD Patrol Task Force, VCSO Detectives, Ventura County Human Trafficking Enforcement Team

Victim(s):

Suspect(s):  Christopher Allen Bouchard, 12-25-68, La Crescenta resident
Reynal Reginio Guillen, 8-22-62, Sherman Oaks resident
Jose Juan Ramualdo-Posadas, 11-5-84, Corona resident

Report #:  17-01219; 17-01236; 17-01238

Narrative:

January is recognized as Human Trafficking Awareness Month. As part of a statewide operation hosted by the Los Angeles Regional Human Trafficking Task Force, “Operation Reclaim & Rebuild” was conducted during the weekend of January 27-28-29. Police departments across the state of California were encouraged to conduct operations to rescue victims of Sex Slavery and Human Trafficking, as well as target Sexual Predators.

In support of this effort, members of the Ventura Police Department teamed up with the Ventura County Sheriff’s Department, Ventura County District Attorney’s Office, and the Ventura County Human Trafficking Enforcement Team to conduct a “Sexual Predator Sting” on Friday, January 27 in the city of Ventura.

During the operation, detectives entered various internet chat rooms primarily designed for teens, and posed as 14 and 15 year old girls. As the investigation unfolded, adult male sexual predators got onto the same chat room and contacted the undercover officer, thinking they were a young teenage girl. During chat room conversation, each of the suspects engaged the undercover officer in sexually explicit conversation, describing in detail what sex acts they wanted to perform with the teenage girl. In each case, the suspect agreed to meet and pick up the teenage girl at or near what they believed to be the girl’s residence.

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.
When each sexual predator arrived at the agreed-upon-location, they were taken into custody without incident.

As a result of this operation, the following sexual predators were arrested and booked into Ventura County Jail for 288.2(a)(2) PC, 288.4(a)(1) PC, and 288.4(b) PC.

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The investigation into this incident is ongoing. Anyone with information related to this crime is urged to call the Ventura Police Department at 339-4343, or make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477. If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to $1,000.