Incident: Carjacking, Vehicle Pursuit, Hit and Run Arrest

Location: 3000 Block of E. Main St.

Date/Time Occurred: 02/25/17 @ 1311 hrs.

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol, California Highway Patrol

Suspect(s): Chance Daugherty, 23 years, Santa Paula Resident

Report #: 17-2620

Narrative:

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Department’s Command Center received a 911 call of stolen vehicle that just occurred in the 3000 block of E. Main St. The vehicle’s owner had stopped at a business, went inside and left his 13-year-old son in the vehicle with the vehicle running. As the son was waiting in the vehicle the suspect, later identified as Chance Daugherty, got into the vehicle and told the son to get out. Daugherty did not display any weapons. The son exited and Daugherty fled in the vehicle. The son was not harmed.

Officers responding to the call saw the vehicle, a new BMW SUV, travelling on Thompson Blvd. near San Jon Rd. and a vehicle pursuit was initiated. Daugherty continued on Harbor Blvd., and entered southbound Highway 101 near California St. Prior to entering the freeway, Daugherty collided into a vehicle and continued. Officers pursued Daugherty at speeds ranging between 75 and 95 MPH, until he was involved in another collision near the Highway 101 and 126 interchange, and drove off the freeway. When the vehicle came to a rest on the embankment, Daugherty fled on foot from the vehicle. After a brief foot pursuit, he was taken into custody.

Daugherty was transported to VCMC for treatment of minor injuries he sustained while running from officers. Once he was medically cleared, Daugherty was booked into the Ventura County Jail for carjacking, felony evading and hit and run.

No citizens or officers were injured as a result of the pursuit. The stolen vehicle sustained moderate damage and impounded.

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.