



MEDIA RELEASE

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Incident: Vehicle Pursuit and Recovery of Stolen Vehicle

Location: Aurora Drive at Camino Real Park

Date/Time Occurred: 2/22/17 2322

Officer(s) Involved: VPD Patrol, VPD K-9

Suspect(s): Unknown Male

Report #: 17-02502

Narrative:

On the above date and time, a Ventura Police patrol officer observed a suspicious vehicle driving at a high rate of speed on Victoria near the 126 Freeway overpass. The officer initiated a traffic stop for the vehicle code violations and the vehicle yielded in the area of Victoria and Woodland. As the officer approached the vehicle on foot, in an attempt to contact the driver, the vehicle sped away and turned west on Telegraph Road. The officer returned to his vehicle and pursued the vehicle, which refused to yield. The officer followed the vehicle to the end of Aurora Drive, where the vehicle crashed into a wooden fence and then into the chain link fence near the tennis courts at Camino Real Park. The occupants of the vehicle then fled on foot into the park area.

Ventura Police Department patrol personnel and K-9 unit responded to the scene and searched the area. Two subjects were located in the area and detained. During the investigation it was learned that the vehicle was a reported stolen vehicle.

No one was injured during this incident.

This investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information about this crime please contact the Ventura Police Department at 339-44325. 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

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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