



NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Domestic Violence, Assault with a Deadly Weapon

Location: 9100 Block of Neath St.

Date/Time Occurred: 03/18/17 @ 2355 hours

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

Victim: Names Withheld

Suspect(s): Stephen Opferman, 26 years, Ventura Resident

Report #: 17-3692

Narrative:

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Department Command Center received a 911 call from a resident in the 9100 block of Neath St., reporting a male and female physically fighting in the street. While officers were still responding to the call, an additional caller reported the male, later identified as Stephen Opferman, was in possession of a gun and shots had been fired. Officers arrived on scene and using the Department's tactical vehicle were able to safely secure the scene. Opferman was taken into custody without further incident.

The investigation revealed that Opferman and the female, who are in a dating relationship, got into a physical altercation during which time Opferman armed himself with a firearm and hit the victim several times in the head. The victim sustained moderate injuries to her head. She was treated at the scene by Ventura City Fire personal and released.

It was determined no shots had been fired, although a loaded firearm was found on the ground in the front yard of the residence.

Opferman was arrested and booked into the Ventura County Jail for domestic violence and assault with a deadly weapon.

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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