06/30/2016

Incident: Shooting Homicide

Location: 4000 Block E. Main Street

Date/Time Occurred: 06/29/2016 @ 4:15 p.m.

Officer(s) Involved: VPD Patrol, Ventura Police Major Crimes, and Ventura County DA Investigators

Victim(s): Cameron Miller (Deceased), 25 yrs., Oxnard Resident Male, 21 yrs., Oxnard Resident Name Withheld

Suspect(s): Richard Hernandez, 20 yrs., Oxnard Resident (Pictured)

Alex Ramirez, 20 yrs., Ventura Resident (Pictured)

Luis Aguilar, 19 yrs., Oxnard Resident (Photo not yet available) Female Juvenile, 16 yrs, Oxnard Resident (Photo withheld)

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Narrative:

On the above date and time, the Ventura PD Command Center received a call of a shooting that had just occurred in the 4000 block of east Main Street. When Ventura PD patrol officers arrived on scene they located Miller and the second victim each suffering from a gunshot wound. Miller was pronounced dead at the scene and the other victim was transported to VCMC for treatment.

Ventura PD Major Crimes Detectives and Ventura County DA Investigators responded to the scene to take over the investigation. The investigation revealed that there were 3 verbal altercations between the suspects and victims that occurred before the shooting. The first occurred near Del Taco in the 4300 block of East Main Street. The second occurred in the parking lot of Lassen's in 4000 block of East Main Street. The last occurred in the parking lot west of Sizzler in the same area. At this time one of the suspects fired at least 3 shots at the victims striking Miller 2 times and the second victim once. The suspects got into the awaiting vehicle that was driven by the juvenile female and they fled the area traveling onto the eastbound 126 Freeway.

At about 4:51 p.m., a Ventura PD Corporal patrolling in the area of Victoria Ave. and Telephone Rd. saw the suspect vehicle traveling northbound in that area. The suspect vehicle was followed to the area of Telegraph Rd and Hill Street and a stop was initiated. The vehicle failed to stop and a pursuit ensued. The suspect vehicle traveled eastbound on Telegraph Rd. at speeds reaching 100 miles per hour. Ventura PD Officers pursued the suspect vehicle to the area of Telegraph Rd. and Cambria Ave. where it crashed into a tree. Three occupants of the vehicle were immediately taken into custody. The driver, Richard Hernandez, fled from the vehicle into a nearby orchard. Ventura PD Units with assistance of the Ventura County Sheriff's Air Unit searched for Hernandez and he was located approximately 2 hours later. All occupants of the vehicle were transported to VCMC to be treated for injuries sustained in the crash. There were no injuries to any officers involved in the pursuit.

Hernandez and Ramirez were booked at VCJ for Murder, Attempted Murder, and various street gang enhancements. Hernandez was also booked for hit and run causing injury and felony evading. Aguilar and the juvenile were admitted to VCMC to be treated for injuries sustained in the crash. Upon release Aguilar will be booked at Ventura CountyJail for Murder, Attempt Murder, and gang crime enhancements. The juvenile will be booked at Juvenile Hall for the same charges.

The Ventura Police Department is asking anyone who may have seen any of the altercations leading up to the shooting to contact Sgt. Matt Cain at (805) 339-4488.



Suspect: Richard Hernandez



Suspect: Alex Ramirez