NEWS RELEASE

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Date and Time of Release: 06/05/2017 @ 0900 hours

Incident: Vehicle Burglary, Stolen Vehicle Incident with K9 Search

Location: Evergreen Drive and Thompson Blvd.

Date/Time Occurred: 06/05/17 @ 0220 hours

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura Police Patrol

Suspect(s): #1 Unknown
#2) Juan Arias, 27 years of Ventura

Victim(s): 

Report Number: 17-07265

Narrative:
On the above date and time, officers were in the area of Evergreen Drive and Thompson Blvd. investigating a vehicle burglary that had just occurred. While one of the officers was looking for the suspect in the area, he saw a vehicle driving at a high rate of speed attempting to flee the area. Before the officer could catch up to the vehicle, it was involved in a collision with a parked vehicle and the driver fled on foot. The patrol officers located and detained a passenger in the vehicle, and other officers and the VPD K9 began a search for the outstanding driver. After a lengthy search, the suspect not located.

The subsequent investigation revealed the vehicle was reported stolen out of Santa Barbara County. Stolen property from the vehicle burglary was located inside the vehicle and later returned to the owner. The passenger was found to be in possession of narcotics paraphernalia and was arrested for the charge.

Anyone with additional information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact the Ventura Police Department or Crime Stoppers. 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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