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NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Shooting

Location: Center St. and Cedar St.

Date/Time Occurred: 10/24/17 @ 1021 hours

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol, Ventura Police Patrol Task Force and Special Enforcement Team, Ventura Police K-9 Unit, Ventura Police Major Crimes Detectives, Ventura County Sheriff Helicopter

Suspect(s):

Suspect #1: Miguel Tapia-Ramirez, 20 years, Ventura Resident

Suspect #2: Emmanuel Hernandez, 22 years, Ventura Resident

Report #: 17-14082

Narrative:

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Department Command Center received a call of possible shooting that just occurred in an alleyway near the intersection of Center St. and Cedar St. The victim reported he was walking in the alley when he was confronted by two subjects in a vehicle. One of the subjects, later identified as Miguel Tapia-Ramirez, was known to the victim and got into a verbal altercation over a previous incident between them. As the vehicle left, driven by the suspect identified as Emmanuel Hernandez, the victim heard what he believed was a gunshot as he fled on foot. The suspect vehicle was last seen leaving the area towards the Ventura Ave.

A patrol corporal responding to the call saw the suspect vehicle traveling on Ventura Ave. near E. Barnett St. and attempted to stop the vehicle. Hernandez continued and pulled into the driveway of a residence in the 200 block of E. Barnett St. Tapia-Ramirez immediately exited the vehicle and fled on foot. Hernandez confronted the corporal in the driveway and after a brief physical altercation, he was taken into custody.

Additional officers responded and set up a perimeter around the area. With the assistance of a Ventura Police K-9 and Ventura County Sheriff helicopter, officers began searching the area for Tapia-Ramirez. After an approximate 45 minute search, Tapia-Ramirez was found hiding in the garage of a nearby residence. He was taken into custody without incident.

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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A firearm and large amount of controlled substance was found in his possession.

Tapia-Ramirez was later booked into the Ventura County Jail for assault with a deadly weapon, making dangerous threats, possession of a controlled substance while be in possession of a firearm and sales of a controlled substance. Hernandez was booked for assault of a deadly weapon, making dangerous threats, resisting arrest and driving on a suspended license.

The victim was not injured as a result of the shooting. No other citizens or officers were injured as a result of this incident. This was not a gang related incident.

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