

MEDIA RELEASE

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Incident: Criminal Threats, Assault with a Firearm, Attempt Robbery, Attempt Extortion and Possession of a Controlled Substance Arrest

Location: 200 Block of E. Warner Street

Date/Time Occurred: 2/14/18 at 0900hrs

Officer(s) Involved: VPD Patrol, VPD Detectives, VPD Patrol Task Force, VPD K-9 Unit

Suspect(s): Salvador Gutierrez, 29yrs, Ventura resident

Report #: 18-01625

Narrative:

On 1-24-18 at about 1400hrs, the victim was at 10 W. Harbor Bl. (Ventura Fairgrounds) selling items as a vendor at the swap meet. The suspect (later identified as Salvador Gutierrez) who was also a swap meet vendor, asked the victim to meet out in the parking lot of the Fairgrounds. The victim agreed and met up with Gutierrez, who was seated in his parked vehicle. While in the vehicle, the victim and Gutierrez got into an argument. Gutierrez pulled a handgun from his waistband and demanded money from the victim. The victim did not have any money to give Gutierrez, so Gutierrez told him he would collect the money later. The Victim exited Gutierrez' vehicle and left the fairgrounds. Out of fear, the victim did not immediately report the incident to the police.

On 1-31-18, the victim called the Ventura Police Department and reported the incident. VPD Detectives began investigating and identified Salvador Gutierrez as the suspect. On 2/14/18 at about 0900hrs, Gutierrez was arrested without incident near his residence in the 200 Block of E. Warner St. During his arrest, Gutierrez was in possession of about one half ounce of suspected methamphetamine. Gutierrez was later booked at the Ventura County Jail for the above listed charges.

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.

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