



NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Recovered Stolen Vehicle Arrest

Location: Lincoln Dr. and Main St.

Date/Time Occurred: 03/08/18 @ 0740 hrs.

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol

Suspect(s): Dominic Celestina, 28 years, Vagrant

Report #: 18-3361

Narrative:

On the above date and time, a single vehicle hit and run accident involving a vehicle roll-over was reported at the intersection of Lincoln Dr. and Main St. Several callers reported the vehicle's driver, later identified as Dominic Celestina, was seen fleeing on foot after the accident. Officers arrived and detained Celestina near the accident scene.

While officers were conducting the accident investigation the owner of the vehicle called the Ventura Police Department Command Center to report that her vehicle had just been stolen prior to the accident in the area of Poli St. and Evergreen Dr. The owner stated she is a taxi driver and had given Celestina a ride and when she briefly exited the vehicle on Poli St., Celestina took the vehicle.

Celestina was arrested and later booked into the Ventura County Jail for possession of a stolen vehicle and a parole violation.

No one was injured as a result of the accident. The vehicle was totaled.

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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