



NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Theft from Vehicle Arrest

Location: 1700 Block of Potomac Ave.

Date/Time Occurred: 06/06/18 @ 1310 hours

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol

Suspect(s): Esteban Cervantes, 25 years, Ventura Resident

Report #: 16-5936

Narrative:

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Department Command Center received a 911 call from a resident in the 1700 block of Topaz, reporting that her husband was chasing after a subject who had stolen his wallet. The suspect, later identified as Esteban Cervantes, was seen climbing over fences into the backyards of some neighboring residences.

As the first officer arrived on scene and started speaking to the husband, the officer saw Cervantes and attempted to contact him. Cervantes saw the officer and fled on foot. The officer chased after Cervantes and after a brief foot pursuit, he gave up and was taken into custody without incident.

During the investigation, officers discovered the victim witnessed Cervantes closing the door of his parked vehicle that parked outside of his residence. Cervantes had taken the victim's wallet, so he chased him.

Cervantes was arrested and later booked into the Ventura County Jail for petty theft and resisting arrest.

No one was injured as a result of this incident.

The Ventura Police Department would like to remind citizens to keep your vehicles locked at all times and remove valuables from inside.

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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