

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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*Incident:* Felon in Possession of a Firearm, Felon in Possession of Ammunition, Possession of Stolen Property, Brandishing a Firearm, Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Terrorist Threats, Child Endangerment, Evading

**Location:** Johnson Drive and North Bank Drive

**Date/Time Occurred**: 06/16/18 @ 0630 hours

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol, Ventura Patrol Taskforce

Suspect(s): Tyequez Baker, 18 years, Bakersfield Resident

**Report #:** 18-8272

## Narrative:

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Command Center received a 911 call of a possible kidnapping in progress involving a Blue Chevy Malibu vehicle.

When officers arrived on scene they contacted two 16 year old female victims. During the course of the investigation officers were able to determine that the suspect had been involved in an argument with the two victims and threatened to harm them. The suspect demanded the victims get out of the vehicle or he would harm them and brandished a hand gun. The victims got out of the vehicle and one of the victims reached into the vehicle to get her cell phone, which was still inside the vehicle. As she reached through the open window the suspect rolled up the window, trapping the victim's arm. The suspect then drove out of the parking lot into the street and through an intersection dragging the victim, whose arm was still trapped in the window. The suspect pulled into another parking lot and the victim was able to free her arm from the window. The suspect drove the vehicle from the scene and was last seen entering the 101 north bound at Johnson.

A few minutes later a member of the Ventura Police Department Patrol Taskforce that was working in the downtown area noticed a vehicle matching the description of the suspect vehicle traveling on the northbound 101 freeway at a high rate of speed and attempted to make an enforcement stop to investigate. The vehicle sped up and refused to yield. The officer along with another Ventura Police Department Patrol officer pursued the vehicle on the freeway for approximately 18 miles. During the pursuit the suspect threw several items from the vehicle including a loaded handgun. The suspect was finally stopped just north of La Conchita and

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.

