



## NEWS RELEASE

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**Incident:** Prowling Arrest

**Location:** 5500 Block of Amherst St.

**Date/Time Occurred:** 10/28/18 @ 1736 hrs.

**Officer(s) Involved:** Ventura PD Patrol

**Suspect(s):** Fernando Jaimes, 35 years, Santa Paula Resident

**Report #:** 18-14573

**Narrative:**

On the above date, at approximately 1726 hours, the Ventura Police Department Command Center received a call from a motorist reporting a subject seen walking in the roadway at Telegraph Rd. and Bryn Mawr St. The caller reported the subject appeared to be under the influence and was carrying what appeared to be a toy gun wrapped in plastic. Officers arrived on scene and began checking the area.

When one of the officers was on Amherst St., a resident stopped the officer and said she just observed an unknown subject with a similar description entering her side yard and he fled when she yelled at him. Officers continued searching the area and located the subject, later identified as Fernando Jaimes, on foot a short distance away.

Jaimes was positively identified and arrested. He was later booked into the Ventura County Jail for prowling and a parole violation. The item he was carrying was mistakenly identified as a toy gun. No one was injured as a result of this incident.

A review of the Ventura County Superior Court website shows that Jaimes has been convicted 7 times in the past 3 years. The various charges included resisting arrest, drug possession, brandishing a deadly weapon, possession of stolen property, petty theft, under the influence of drugs, and possession of drug paraphernalia. In 2012, Jaimes was convicted of carjacking.

*The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at [www.venturapd.org](http://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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