



NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Armed Robbery

Location: 1007 E. Santa Clara St. (Asian American Market)

Date/Time Occurred: 12/25/18 @ 1754 hrs.

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol

Suspect(s): Male, 20's, wearing a black jacket, black pants and a black mask over his face

Report #: 18-98483

Narrative:

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Department Command Center received a 911 call from an employee of the Asian American Market, 1007 E. Santa Clara St., reporting that an armed robbery had just occurred. The suspect, who was armed with a handgun, was last seen fleeing Northbound on Laurel St. from the business on foot.

During the investigation, officers learned that the suspect entered the business and approached the one employee behind the counter. The suspect brandished a gun at the employee and demanded money. The employee ran to the rear of the business to hide. The suspect grabbed the cash register and pulled it from the counter and fled the store taking with him the register and an undisclosed amount of money.

Officers checked the area but were unable to locate the suspect. The employee was not injured as a result of this crime.

Anyone with information or is a witness to this crime is asked to contact the Ventura Police Department at 339-4488.

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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