



MEDIA RELEASE

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VENTURA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Incident: Assault with a Firearm, Shooting at an Occupied Vehicle, Child Endangerment

Location: 1200 Block of Nilgai Place, Ventura

Date/Time Occurred: 5/16/19 at 0750

Officer(s) Involved: VPD Patrol, Special Enforcement Team, Major Crimes Unit, Street Crimes Unit

Victim(s): 2 females (one adult, one juvenile), names withheld

Suspect(s): Seeb Hurtado, 29 years, Ventura resident

Report #: 19-34606

Narrative:

On the above date and time multiple Ventura Police patrol officers responded to a call of a shooting that had occurred in the area of the 1200 block of Nilgai Pl.

Officers located the victims who described the incident. According to the victims, the suspect knocked at their residence's front door inquiring about a vehicle. The occupants did not have any information on the vehicle and the suspect left.

The victims entered their vehicle to leave for the morning and saw the suspect in the area again. The adult female (mother) was concerned about the male's continued presence in the area around her home. In response she drove around the area several times. When the suspect saw her and her juvenile daughter, he seemed fixated on them and their vehicle.

When the mother was driving away from the area, the suspect produced a handgun and fired it at their vehicle from a short distance away. The mother fled while calling 911. Neither victim nor the vehicle was struck by the gunfire.

Responding officers observed a subject matching the suspect's description. When the officer went to contact the subject, he fled into a nearby barranca. The officer caught up to the suspect and detained him at gunpoint. Additional officers arrived and took the suspect into custody without incident.

Officers canvassing for a crime scene located evidence of a shooting right where the victims indicated.

The suspect was identified by the victims as the shooter and he was arrested.

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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Detectives obtained a search warrant and the nearby residence of the suspect was searched. Further evidence of the crime and the suspect's involvement was located.

The suspect was booked into Ventura County Jail for 245 (a)(2) PC Assault with a firearm, 246 PC Shooting at an Occupied Vehicle, and 273a(a) PC Felony Child Endangerment.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding the crime should contact Ventura Police Watch Commander at (805) 339-4416.

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