



## NEWS RELEASE

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**VENTURA POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Incident:** Felony Arrests

**Location:** Santa Clara St. and S. Palm St.

**Date/Time Occurred:** 08/24/19 @ 1954 hours

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

**Suspect(s):**

Suspect #1: Daniel Cruz, DOB: 04/07/87, Vagrant

Suspect #2: Natalie Reyes, DOB: 08/12/99, Vagrant

**Report #:** 19-60945

**Narrative:**

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Department Command Center received a 911 call of a possible vehicle burglary in progress. The caller reported seeing the suspects, later identified Daniel Cruz and Natalie Reyes, attempting to gain entry into a truck that was parked on the corner of Santa Clara St. and S. Palm St. When officers arrived on scene, Cruz and Reyes attempted to flee on foot. Reyes was caught and immediately taken into custody, but Cruz lead officers on a foot pursuit through several blocks of the Downtown area. He was ultimately caught on Oak St. and taken into custody without incident.

During the investigation, officers learned that Cruz had a felony warrant for being a post release offender on stolen vehicle charges. He was also arrested for resisting arrest, possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia. Officers also found that Cruz was in possession of possible stolen identification cards and were attempting to identify victims of identity theft. Reyes was arrested for a felony warrant on charges of a stolen vehicle, resisting arrest and giving a false name to a police officer.

A review of the Ventura County Superior Court website shows that Cruz has prior convictions for possession of a stolen vehicle, resisting arrest, possession of a controlled substance and paraphernalia. The website showed that Reyes has prior convictions for stolen vehicle, hit and run, and resisting arrest.

*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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