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NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Robbery, Resisting Arrest, & Conspiracy

Location: 1200 Block of S. Victoria Ave

Date/Time Occurred: 8/7/19 @ 1730

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol & K9

Suspect(s):

#1- Adrian Villagomez, DOB: 12/26/95

#2- Athena Avila, DOB: 8/21/95

Report #: 19-56497

Narrative:

On the above date and time, officers responded to a report of a stabbing victim in the 1200 block of S. Victoria Ave. Officers found the victim, later identified as a 55-year-old male, suffering from a non-life threatening stab wound to his arm. He was immediately treated by Ventura City Fire and AMR personnel and transported to a local hospital.

During the investigation officers learned that the suspects, Adrian Villagomez and Athena Avila, had both attacked the victim and stole personal property. During the attack, Villagomez stabbed the victim in the arm with a knife. The suspects then fled into a nearby apartment complex and were seen entering an apartment.

Officers arrived at the apartment and confirmed that the suspects were inside. After the suspects refused orders to exit the residence, officers went inside and located them in a bedroom, and both were taken into custody. None of the officers or either suspect were injured during the arrest. Officers searched the apartment and located the victim's stolen property inside.

At the conclusion of the investigation, Villagomez and Avila were arrested for assault with a deadly weapon, robbery, conspiracy, and resisting arrest. Villagomez was additionally arrested on a felony warrant for a post release offender violation.

A review of the Ventura County Superior Court website shows that Villagomez has prior convictions for robbery, resisting arrest, theft, and drugs charges.

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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