



## NEWS RELEASE

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**VENTURA POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Incident:** Assault **UPDATE**

**Location:** Telephone / Montgomery

**Date/Time Occurred:** 8/18/20 3:34 AM

**Officer(s) Involved:** Ventura Police Patrol, Ventura Police Detectives, Ventura Police Crime Scene Investigations (CSI)

**Suspect(s):** Elizer Castro 23yrs, Ventura resident

**Report #:** 20-54243

**Narrative:**

\*\*\*\*\*Update\*\*\*\*\*

On 8/18/2020 the victim was involved in an altercation with an acquaintance of his in the area of Montgomery Rd. and Telephone Rd. The suspect attacked the victim with a camping type axe causing lacerations to the victim's legs. The suspect fled and the victim stayed in the area until he was located by a Ventura Patrol Officer who was driving by. The victim was transported to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. Ventura Police Detectives were able to identify the suspect as Elizer Castro 23yrs of Ventura.

On 8/19/2020 Ventura Police detectives served a search warrant at Castro's residence where he was taken into custody. During a search of the residence, detectives located the weapon used in the crime along with additional evidence. Castro was later booked in the Ventura County jail for (245PC) assault with a deadly weapon.

On the above date and time a Ventura Police Patrol officer located a male subject injured as a result of an assault near the intersection of Telephone and Montgomery. Officers tended to his injuries until Fire and AMR personnel arrived.

The victim was transported to a local hospital and is being treated for non-life-threatening injuries. Due to the investigation, there is currently a delay in traffic at the intersection. The intersection is expected to be completely open within the next few hours.

This is an on-going investigation, anyone with information is asked to call Ventura Police Detectives at (805) 339-4467.

*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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