



NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Battery on Police Officer Arrest

Location: Ventura Promenade @ Paseo De Playa

Date/Time Occurred: 10/23/21 @ 0929 Hrs.

Officer(s) Involved: VPD Patrol

Suspect(s): Lewis Lloyd, 53 yrs, Nevada Resident

Report #: 21-70690

Narrative:

Based on community complaints regarding criminal activity and quality of life issues, a Ventura Police Officer was patrolling the Ventura Beach Promenade near Paseo de Playa. The officer contacted a person who was blocking an access gate to a private apartment complex. During the contact, the suspect approached the officer and began to interfere with the investigation. The officer told the suspect several times to back away, or he would be arrested for interfering. The suspect refused the officer's orders and continued to interfere by yelling at the officer and physically aggressing towards the officer. The officer attempted to place the suspect under arrest, and the suspect violently resisted and struck the officer in the face with a closed fist and kicked him.

Within a few seconds of the attack, another officer arrived to assist and was struck on the head by Lloyd. The officers wrestled the suspect to the ground, and he continued to fight. Additional officers arrived, and after a lengthy struggle, the suspect was taken into custody. As this incident unfolded, two uninvolved bystanders loudly jeered and criticized the officers.

The suspect was arrested for the following felony charges: 69PC-resisting an officer by violence; 243 (c) (2) PC battery on a police officer, and 148.10PC resisting an officer causing injury. The officers were treated at a local hospital for moderate injuries. Lloyd was treated for minor injuries.

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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