

Incident: Felony Vandalism

Location: Victoria Avenue @ 101 Freeway

Date/Time Occurred: 01/13/23 @ 0411 hours

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol / California Highway Patrol / Ventura Fire

Suspect(s): Jacob Summitt – 26 years - Ventura Resident

Report #: 23-2526

Narrative:

On 01/13/23 at about 0411 hours, an alert passerby informed a Ventura Police Patrol Officer that two subjects were vandalizing a wall on Victoria Avenue in between the northbound and southbound lanes of the 101 Freeway. Officers responded to that area and found two subjects standing on an elevated ledge, spray painting graffiti on a wall on the west side of Victoria Avenue in between the northbound and southbound lanes of the 101 Freeway.

As officers were arriving, one suspect fled on foot onto the 101 Freeway. The second subject, later identified as Jacob Summitt, was unable to flee and became stranded on the elevated ledge. Summitt refused to come down from the ledge for several hours as officers attempted to talk him down. At one point, Summitt threatened to jump off the ledge in an effort hurt himself. A Ventura Police Crisis Negotiations Team Member responded to the scene and attempted to talk with him, but Summitt continued to refuse to come down.

At approximately 0819 hours, Summitt indicated that he wanted to come down off the ledge. The Ventura Fire Department provided a ladder and Summitt climbed down from the ledge. He was arrested for felony vandalism and transported to the Ventura County Jail.

The damage to the wall was estimated to be several thousands of dollars.

Traffic was moderately affected on Victoria Avenue during this event.

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.