

Incident: Suspicious Death Investigation

Location: 2500 Block of Knoll Dr

Date/Time Occurred: 7/13/23 1630 hours.

Officer(s) Involved: VPD Patrol, Detectives

Suspect(s):

Report #: 23-44267

Narrative:

On 07/13/23 at about 1630 hours the Ventura Police Command Center received a call of a possible overdose that occurred in the 2500 block of Knoll Dr to the rear of the industrial building. Both Ventura City Fire and Police responded to the location and located one female adult who was unconscious and unresponsive. The victim, a 46-year-old female vagrant, was pronounced dead at the scene.

The ensuing investigation revealed that this may not have been overdose related. Bystanders stated that the deceased was involved in an altercation with another female vagrant prior to her collapse and that she was possibly tased by the other female before she fled. The onlookers called 911 and administered Narcan, a medicine that rapidly reverses an opioid overdose, however it did not revive the victim. The medical examiner responded to the scene and took custody of the deceased. An autopsy is scheduled to determine the cause of death.

The Ventura Police Department Major Crimes Detectives are currently investigating this incident as a suspicious death. Currently there are no suspects in custody however we are currently looking for the female involved in the altercation and witnesses.

Anyone with any information who may have witnessed this event is asked to call Detective Tovar at 805-339-4462.

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.