

Strong Armed Robbery

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Incident: Strong Armed Robbery

Location: 4700 Block of Telephone Rd.

Date/Time Occurred: 09/19/15 @ 3:57pm

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol, Ventura City Fire

Victim(s): Terri Atherton, 59 years, Vagrant

Suspect(s): Christopher Living, 51 years, Vagrant

Report #: 15-12832

Narrative:

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Department Command Center received several 911 calls of vagrants physically fighting in front of a business in the 4700 block of Telephone Rd. While officers were still responding to the call, one of the callers reported that a female, later identified as the victim, Atherton, was injured. Ventura City Fire and AMR personnel were also dispatched to the call.

During the investigation officers learned that Atherton was sitting on a bench to the front of a business when the suspect, later identified as Christopher Living, walked past her and reached into her purse. Living grabbed a pack of cigarettes from Atherton's purse and as he removed the cigarettes, punched her several times in the face. A brief struggle ensued, before Living fled from the scene on foot.

Officers located Living a short distance away. He was positively identified as being the suspect and arrested. Living was booked into the Ventura County Jail for robbery.

Atherton was treated at the scene by Ventura City Fire personnel for non-life threatening injuries to her face and then transported to VCMC by ambulance.

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.