

Evading and Resisting Arrest

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Incident: Evading and Resisting Arrest

Location: Alverstone Ave & Rainier St

Date/Time Occurred: 9/23/15 9:53pm

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura Police Dept & Ventura County Sheriff's Office

Victim(s):

Suspect(s): Leon Burton 36, Ventura Resident

Report #: 15-13082

Narrative:

On the above date and time the Ventura Police Dept received a request for assistance from the Ventura County Sheriff's Dept. They were involved in a vehicle pursuit of a reckless driver speeding on the 101 freeway. The suspect vehicle exited at Seaward Ave and VPD officers assumed control of the pursuit, as it traveled through the city limits. The suspect vehicle entered the neighborhoods in the vicinity Skyline and Foothill Rd. The suspect continued to drive through the surrounding streets at speeds ranging from 10-20 mph.

As the suspect vehicle traveled through these residential neighborhoods, the driver would stop the car in the middle of the street and yell obscenities at officers. The suspect would not comply with officer's commands, as he continued to evade the police. Officers were able to position themselves at the intersection of Alverstone and Rainier and waited for the suspect to drive through the intersection. The officers deployed a "Stop Stick" this is tool designed to puncture and deflate the tires of a suspect's vehicle safely. As the suspect approached the intersection, he slowed down and attempted to drive around the Stop Stick but was unsuccessful. The suspect finally stopped driving after his front tires drove over the device.

The suspect continued to disobey officer's instructions and refused to exit his vehicle. Officers eventually had to approach the suspect's vehicle and they were able to take the suspect into custody using a minimal amount of force. The suspect Burton was arrested and booked at the county jail for evading and resisting arrest.