Domestic Violence Incident with SWAT Activation

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**Incident:** Domestic Violence Incident with SWAT Activation

**Contact:** Watch Commander, 805.339.4416

**Location:** 10400 Block of Darling Rd. Ventura

**Date/Time Occurred:** March 17, 2015 at 2:33 PM

**Officer(s) Involved:** Ventura Police Patrol, Detectives, & SWAT

**Victim(s):** Name Withheld

**Suspect(s):** Anthony Duarte, 49 years old, Ventura

**Report #:** 15-03704

**Narrative:**

The Ventura Police Department received information that Duarte and his estranged wife were possibly involved in a domestic dispute. Responding officers learned that Duarte had recently battered the victim and the incident had not been reported to the police. Related to the battery, Duarte needed to be served with a domestic violence restraining order, and a move out order. Officers made several attempts to get the victim to exit the residence to check on her welfare but she was reluctant. A little more than one hour later the victim exited the residence and was interviewed by officers.

The victim told officers that Duarte was in the residence. Additionally Duarte is a Post Release Offender with a violent criminal history. Due to the nature of the investigation and Duarte’s violent past the SWAT team was activated at approximately 5:15 PM. Over the next several hours Duarte refused to acknowledge all attempts to contact him by police. Sometime after midnight tear gas was deployed into the residence where Duarte was believed to be hiding. Shortly thereafter Duarte made contact with police and agreed to surrender. Duarte exited the residence at 12:58 AM and was taken into custody without further incident.

Duarte was subsequently booked into the Ventura County Jail for 273.5 PC-Felony Spousal Abuse and 236 PC-False Imprisonment.