

Violent Resistive Suspect and Witness Intimidation

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Incident: Violent Resistive Suspect and Witness Intimidation

Contact: Watch Commander, 805-339-4416

Location: 100 Block of North Garden St.

Date/Time Occurred: 1-19-2015 / 2120 hours

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura Police Patrol Officers and K9 unit

Victim(s):

White female, 26 years old, Ventura Resident (name withheld)

White male, 30 years old, Ventura Resident (name withheld)

Suspect: Michael Crosby, 23 years old, BMA, Ventura Resident

Report #: 15-00909

Narrative:

On 1-19-2015, at 2120 hours, the Ventura Police Command Center received a call from the victims stating that their neighbor was intoxicated and was disturbing at their front door. The Victims described the subject and knew his name was "Michael", later identified as Michael Crosby.

Police arrived on scene and contacted Crosby at his residence. Crosby came to the door and Officer's recognized Crosby from prior contacts and knew him to be on Probation with search terms. Officer's asked Crosby to step out side in order for a more thorough interview, investigation, and probation search to be conducted. Crosby denied the Officer's request and began to delay the Officer's investigation by not answering any questions about him disturbing his neighbors.

Based on Crosby's action of delaying a police Officer, Officer's told Crosby that he was under arrest and attempted to place Crosby in hand cuffs on his porch. Crosby began to violently resist Officers as he began to swing his arms and fight Officers as they tried to place him in handcuffs. Crosby is a 6-foot, 230-pound, young male that was near several potential weapons. As Officer's were unable to control and arrest Crosby an emergency radio call for help was sent and several other patrol Officers, as well as a K9 Officer arrived to help.

During Crosby's violent resistance a K9 was deployed and Crosby was also tased at different times. Crosby was finally taken into custody. It was later learned that Crosby was under the influence of alcohol and pain pills.

After Crosby was taken into custody Officer's continued their investigation into the initial call for service and learned that the 2 victims had been previous victims of a vandalism and had hung several signs in the area to warn people about the crime. Crosby confronted the Victim's at their residence and told them they should not have called the police and he was going to kick down their front door and hurt them.

Crosby was treated at VCMC for his moderate injuries and was later booked at VCJ for witness intimidation and violenting resisting a Police Officer.

2 Police Officer's sustained minor injuries during the struggle with Crosby but denied medical treatment at this time.

The investigation into this incident is ongoing. Anyone with information related to this incident is urged to call the Ventura Police Department at (805) 339-4309