

## Attempted Murder of a Police Officer, Officer Involved Shooting

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**08/03/2014**

**Incident:** Attempted Murder of a Police Officer, Officer Involved Shooting

**Contact:** Watch Commander, 805-339-4416

**Location:** Figueroa St.and Harbor Blvd.

**Date/Time Occurred:** 08/03/14 @ 1545 hours

**Officer(s) Involved:** Ventura PD Patrol, Ventura PD Traffic Unit and Ventura PD Detectives

**Suspect:** Withheld, 26 year old male, Ventura Resident

**Report #:** 14-09701

**Narrative:**

On the above date and time, fair security reported to the Ventura Police Command Post inside the fairgrounds a reckless driver in a red truck attempting to pass several road closure barricades near the Garden St. entrance gate of the fair.

Shortly after the report of the reckless driver was broadcasted over the radio, several officers working a traffic control detail outside of the fairgrounds property saw the vehicle and stopped the suspect driver near the intersection of Figueroa St. and Harbor Blvd. While one of the officers was speaking to the suspect driver, the suspect suddenly accelerated backwards, colliding in a stopped vehicle behind him. He then quickly accelerated forward towards another officer and hit that officer with his vehicle as he fled from the traffic stop.

Additional officers at the scene fired at the suspect vehicle as it accelerated and collided into several parked police motorcycles and a shuttle bus. The shuttle bus was not occupied by fair goers at the time of the shooting.

The suspect driver was struck by officer's gunfire and came to a stop. He was later transported to Ventura County Medical Center for treatment of his injuries. At this time, he is listed in critical condition.

The officer that was struck by the suspect was transported to the Ventura County Medical Center for non-life threatening injuries and later released.

The investigation into this incident is continuing. The police department is asking for any witnesses to contact the police department. No other officers or citizens were injured as a result of this incident.