



OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

HALL OF JUSTICE



JIM McDONNELL, SHERIFF

Good evening Mr. Mayor and members of the City Council. I am here tonight to present the Public Safety Report for June 18th through July 15th, 2018.

In an effort to help the Citizens of Lawndale enjoy a safe July 4th Holiday, the City of Lawndale hired 16 deputy sheriff's, on an overtime basis, to suppress illegal fireworks. The deputies issued 47 citations for illegal fireworks and seized approximately 150 pounds of illegal fireworks. We received approximately 93 calls of service for fireworks (both illegal and legal).

On Wednesday, June 27th, approximately 12:30 AM, a male victim was walking in the area of 162nd Street and Hawthorne Boulevard, when he was approached by two male black suspects. The first grabbed him, and the other held a knife to the victim's throat and demanded money. When the victim refused, the suspect cut the left side of the victim's neck, leaving an approximate two inch superficial laceration to his neck, narrowly missing his carotid artery. The other suspect reached in the victim's pocket and retrieved \$215 dollars. The suspects then fled east on 162nd Street.

Also occurring on Wednesday, June 27th, at 2:11 AM, a burglary occurred at a men's clothing store called, "Laced," located at 4193 Redondo Beach Boulevard, Lawndale. Approximately \$2000 in clothing was stolen, as well as \$200 from the cash register, by two masked suspects. The suspect's vehicle was a black Ford Fusion.

On Thursday, June 28th, 2018, Deputies Honea and Minaya each made significant arrests, both resulting from stolen vehicles they observed in Lawndale. Detective Vidrio is following up on other crimes each of the suspects may have been involved in.

On July 4th, 2018, around 7:30 PM, a Lawndale resident was stabbed in the driveway of his residence, on 159th Street and Prairie Avenue. The suspect, who was mentally ill, stabbed the victim in the back. When neighbors witnessed the stabbing, they called out to the suspect. The suspect began walking away, using his blind stick and saying, "That's what you get for killing my mother." When the deputies arrived, the witnesses pointed out the suspect. The deputies arrested the suspect without incident. Homicide is investigating the murder.

This concludes my report and I would be happy to entertain any questions you may have.

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