



# City of Ridgecrest Police Department

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**RONALD N. STRAND, Chief of Police**

## Press Release

**DATE OF INCIDENT:** September 15, 2013

**TYPE OF INCIDENT:** PC 211.5 – Robbery, PC 245(a) – ADW, PC 417(a) – Exhibit Deadly Weapon, PC 496(a) Possession of Stolen Property.

**LOCATION:** 109 W. Wilson Ave.

**VICTIM:** Kenneth Kyle

**SUSPECT(S):** LEWIS, Leon, HARRIS, Marquell Jr., HOWARD, Pernell

### **RESUME OF INCIDENT**

On September 15, 2013, Officers of the Ridgecrest Police Department contacted Kenneth Kyle at Ridgecrest Regional Hospital as he was the victim of an assault. As a result of a preliminary investigation, Officers Bockhahn, Agostinacci and Keys were led to 109 W. Wilson Ave. From there, Officers discovered that while Kenneth Kyle was visiting the residents of that location, he was severely assaulted by Lewis, Harris and Howard.

During the assault, Kyle told Officers he was ordered by the three assailants to empty his pockets and give them his money. At one point, Kyle said he saw one of the subjects holding what appeared to be a black semi-automatic handgun. The suspects were able to get away with \$500.00 dollars of Kyle's money and his cellular telephone.

Officers were able to obtain a consent to search of the residence by the occupants. Officers were able to seize a significant amount of evidence, including an "BB gun" replica handgun, from the scene which led them to locating and arresting Lewis, Harris and Howard.

Officers were able to recover most of Kyle's money and his cellular telephone. Lewis, Harris and Howard were later transported to Central Receiving Facility in Bakersfield and held in lieu of \$65,000 bail.

Kenneth Kyle was treated for his injuries and later released from RRH.

**RONALD N. STRAND, Chief of Police**  
**PREPARED BY:** Sgt. T. Brown  
**Tuesday, September 17, 2013**