

CHIEF OF POLICE

## **BURBANK POLICE DEPARTMENT**

200 North Third Street, Burbank, CA 91502

## OFFICIAL NEWS RELEASE

## UPDATE TO GANG RELATED STABBING GANG MEMBERS IN-CUSTODY / INVESTIGATION ON-GOING

DATE: December 18, 2015

On Wednesday afternoon, December 16, 2015, at about 3:10pm Burbank Police Officers responded to the 600 block of Hollywood Way, where they found a 23 year old Burbank resident suffering from several stab wounds to his torso, neck and head. The individual and an associate, who was with him, were uncooperative with officers and investigators, but nonetheless officers were able to locate crime scenes at Lundigan Park (2701 Thornton Avenue) and in the 1800 block of N. Buena Vista Street, over two miles away. Evidence at the scenes included a bloody knife and a baseball bat.

Investigators have been able to identify several individuals, all known gang members or associates, who were involved in the fight. As of this afternoon, three have been arrested.

The arrested individuals are 21 year old Maximo De Los Santos Jr. of Burbank, 24 year old Paul Melendez of Sun Valley and 30 year old Joshua Pimentel of Burbank. Charges include assault with a deadly weapon and fighting in public. All of the arrest charges include gang enhancements, which specify the crimes were committed for the benefit of or in association with a criminal street gang. Bail ranges from \$40,000 to \$105,000 for each suspect. All are due to appear in court on Monday morning.

The individual found suffering from the stab wounds on Hollywood Way, Wednesday afternoon, remains hospitalized in serious, but stable condition.

There are outstanding identified suspects, which detectives are working to locate and arrest. As such, this is an on-going investigation and no other information is going to be released at this time.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is urged to contact Detective Mike Edwards at (818) 238-3210.

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