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## **La Palma Man Arrested Following Police Pursuit that Left Police Officer Injured**

On April 4, 2015, at about 9:20 p.m., La Palma Police responded to the 5100 block of Bransford Street to investigate a domestic violence incident. The female victim suffered serious injuries and was transported to a local hospital. The suspect, 40 year old Jose Manuel Jara fled the scene in his vehicle prior to the officers arriving.

On April 5, at about 12:15 a.m., La Palma police officers located the suspect driving his vehicle in the 7300 block of Walker Street. Officers attempted to conduct a traffic stop on the vehicle and the suspect fled in his vehicle. Officers pursued the suspect into a near-by residential area. During the pursuit, the suspect turned his vehicle around and intentionally rammed two of the marked police vehicles, injuring one of the officers.

Other La Palma officers continued to pursue the suspect at which time the pursuit entered the freeway. California Highway Patrol officers subsequently took command of the pursuit and the suspect eventually stopped his vehicle near the 605 and 405 freeway interchange and fled on foot. He was taken into custody by California Highway Patrol officers after a brief foot pursuit.

The suspect was booked on charges of domestic violence, assault with a deadly weapon on a police officer, and felony evading. He is being held on \$100,000 bail.

### ***About the City of La Palma***

Ranked by Money Magazine in 2007, 2011, and 2013 as one of America's Best Places to Live, the City of La Palma is a 1.9 square mile general law city in northwest Orange County, consisting of over 15,568 residents and approximately 300 commercial and industrial businesses. The City was incorporated in 1955 under the name of Dairyland and has 55 full-time and 35 part-time employees.

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