

## San Diego County SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

## NEWS RELEASE INFORMATION SHEET

Subject: Deputy Injured - Valley Center

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## **SYNOPSIS:**

On January 31, 2018, at 3:14 p.m., a Deputy from the Valley Center Sheriff's Station conducted a traffic enforcement stop in the 27000 block of N. Lake Wohlford Road in Valley Center. The driver was detained and a vehicle search was in progress in the area of the driver's seat. A blue Toyota Highlander, travelling northbound on N. Lake Wohlford Road, then struck the driver's door of the vehicle being searched causing an injury to the Deputy in the doorway.

The Deputy sustained an injury to his right hand and was transported to Palomar Medical Center by paramedics. The Deputy was subsequently treated and released from the hospital with a minor injury to his hand and is expected to make a full recovery. There were no other injuries related to this collision.

The California Highway Patrol arrived on scene to conduct the collision investigation and determined the driver of the Toyota Highlander, identified as Guillermo Gutierrez Salazar (02/09/1956) of Valley Center, was under the influence of alcohol. He was arrested and booked for Felony Driving Under the Influence with Injury and for Driving on a Suspended License.