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### **News Release**

**Leroy D. Baca, Sheriff**

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7-year old held under water, nearly drowns in swimming pool. Stepfather arrested for attempt murder. LASD Palmdale

On Sunday (04/29/2012) evening at approximately 7:00, deputies from Palmdale Station and Los Angeles County Fire Rescue personnel responded to the 200 block of East Avenue R, Palmdale regarding a call of a possible drowning victim. The 7-year old boy was subsequently transported via helicopter to a local hospital.

The investigation by responding deputies and detectives from Special Victims Bureau revealed that the child's stepfather, Jacqorie Stansell, was teaching the victim how to swim in a pool when he became frustrated with the victim.

As a result, the stepfather allegedly repeatedly held the victim under water for what witnesses described as 15 second intervals. When it appeared the child had become lifeless, the suspect picked up the victim and threw him out of the pool. According to witnesses the suspect then dragged and carried the victim back to their residence.

The suspect was arrested and booked at Palmdale Sheriff's Station for Attempted Murder and Cruelty to a Child. His bail is set at one million dollars.

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