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*****NEWS RELEASE*****
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VPD Report Number: 15-09264

Date/Time Occurred: 7/3/15 @ 1813 Hours

Type of Incident: Assault with a deadly weapon

Location: 1100 Block of N. Stover

Name of Business (if applicable):

Adult Male Victim

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

- 1. Hammond, Josh
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Yes

Details: On 7/3/15 @ 1813 Hours, Visalia Police received a call of a gunshot victim in the area of 1100 Block of N. Stover. Patrol Officers arrived and contacted witnesses at the scene. They were told that all parties involved had fled the scene. A short time later, Police located the victim at an area hospital. The victim was treated for a life threatening gunshot wound and is currently listed in critical but stable condition.

Violent Crimes Detectives responded to the scene to investigate the incident. The investigation shows that during a verbal argument, an unknown suspect shot the victim with a gun. The investigation is ongoing. Violent Crimes Detectives are asking for anyone with information related to this incident to please contact Det. Pena at (559) 713-4156 or Crime Stoppers at (559)498-STOP.

*****UPDATE*****

Violent Crimes Detectives conducted a follow up investigation into this incident. It was determined that during the verbal argument, Suspect Josh Hammond produced a gun and shot the victim. On 7/9/15 at 1230 Hours, Violent Crimes Detectives observed Suspect Hammond driving a vehicle. When he pulled into a parking lot in the 2200 Block of E. Mineral King, he was taken into custody without incident. Suspect Hammond was arrested, interviewed and then booked into Tulare County Jail for Attempted Homicide and Felon in Possession of a Gun. The victim is still receiving treatment in an area hospital and listed in stable condition.



Arresting / Investigating Officer: VPD Patrol / Violent Crimes Unit

Supervisor: Sgt. Kroeze S159

