



VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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*****NEWS RELEASE*****

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VPD Report Number: 16-05905

Date/Time Occurred: 4/25/16 @ 1604 Hours

Type of Incident: Robbery

Location: 2900 Block of S. Mooney

Name of Business (if applicable):

Visalia Hobby

Suspect:

1. Cabrera
- 2.
- 3.

Age:

Samuel

Arrested:

Yes

Details: On April 25, 2016 at 1604 Hours, Visalia Patrol Officers responded to a traffic collision in the area of Mooney/Sunnyside. Callers advised that a subject fell out of the bed of a pickup truck. Upon arrival, Officers located the subject who was later transported to KDMC for medical treatment. Their injuries appear to be non-life threatening.

Officers discovered that an unknown Suspect entered the listed business and stole display merchandise that was valued over \$1000. The Suspect fled the business to an awaiting vehicle in the area of Mooney/Sunnyside. Employees from the business attempted to stop the Suspect from leaving by climbing onto the vehicle. As the vehicle quickly sped off, one employee fell off the vehicle striking their head on the pavement. A second employee, who was in possession of a handgun, discharged one round into the vehicle. The Suspect vehicle fled the area.

Violent Crimes Detectives were called to take over the investigation. Detectives are currently following up leads including a possible Suspect vehicle that was located in the area abandoned.

Anyone with information is requested to contact Det. Jacob Sorensen at (559) 713-4576.



UPDATE 04/26/16

The Visalia Police Department is asking for the public's assistance in identifying the Suspect in this case. Anyone who knows this person is asked to contact Det. Jacob Sorensen at (559) 713-4576. Anonymous tips can be given through Crimestoppers at (559) 498-STOP.

***UPDATE 6/3/16 ***

As a result of the previous press release, the Visalia Police Department received anonymous tips from the community identifying the Suspect. The subsequent investigation determined that Suspect Samuel Cabrera 32 years old of Woodlake was the subject who entered the business and stole the item.

On 6/2/16 @ 1600 Hours, Suspect Samuel Cabrera was located in the 1400 Block of S. Crowe by Violent Crimes and Property Crimes Detectives. Upon contact, Suspect Samuel Cabrera was quickly detained and found to be in possession of Methamphetamine. Suspect Cabrera was interviewed and later booked into Tulare County Jail for Robbery, Possession of Methamphetamine and two outstanding warrants.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: VPD Patrol / Violent Crimes Unit **Supervisor:** Sgt. Kroeze

