



VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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*****NEWS RELEASE*****
May 5, 2017

VPD Report Number: 17-34453

Date/Time Occurred: 05/05/17 1250 hours

Type of Incident: Carjacking/Pursuit Arrest

Location: 600 blk N. Valencia, Woodlake

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Manriquez, Jimmy Alvarez
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Yes

Details: On April 16, 2017 an adult male reported to the Woodlake Police Department he had been carjacked by a known suspect, Jimmy Manriquez, in the 100 blk N Valencia in Woodlake. The victim reported Manriquez had struck him with a handgun and then took his vehicle, an Acura. The victim suffered a minor injury.

On May 2, 2017 Officers in the Visalia Police Department's Special Enforcement Unit (SEU) located the victim's Acura in the city of Visalia. After interviewing the driver, it was discovered he had recently traded the Acura for his Dodge pickup not knowing the Acura was stolen. The seller of the stolen Acura was identified as Manriquez. The stolen Acura was turned back over to the victim of the Woodlake carjacking. The Dodge truck was entered into the stolen vehicle database by VPD as the transaction had occurred in the city of Visalia.

On May 4, 2017 it was discovered the stolen pickup was posted for sale on a trader website. At 1500 VPD's SEU and the Tulare County Regional Auto Theft Task Force (T-RATT) arranged to meet and set-up the seller of the pickup at Hwy 198/Kaweah. Once the stolen Dodge truck arrived at the meet location driven by Manriquez, he saw an unrelated police vehicle in the area and fled northbound on Rd 196. A pursuit was initiated by VPD's SEU, but due to the high speeds and reckless driving of Manriquez, the pursuit was terminated.

On May 5, 2017 at 1250 hours, VPD's SEU located Manriquez at a residence in the 600 blk N Valencia in Woodlake. He was taken into the custody without incident. He was turned over to the Woodlake Police Department who subsequently booked him at the Tulare County Jail for numerous felony charges including Carjacking, Auto Theft, Felony Pursuit, and Warrants. The stolen Dodge truck was located in the community of Seville and returned to the owner.



Arresting / Investigating Officer:

Supervisor:

