



VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Jason Salazar, Chief of Police

Sergeant Damon Maurice, Public Information Officer
(559) 713-4216 (office) / (559) 713-4807 (fax)
damon.maurice@visalia.city

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

April 13, 2017

VPD Report Number: 17-28759

Date/Time Occurred: 04/13/17 at 0310 Hours

Type of Incident: Robbery/Carjacking

Location: 1200 Block of W. Dorothea

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Rivas, John	30	Yes
2. Arias-Garcia, Jose Antonio	22	Yes
3. Fernandez, Eladio	18	Yes

Details: On 04/13/17 at approximately 0310 hours, Patrol Officers responded to a suspicious circumstance in the 1200 Block of W. Dorothea. Upon their arrival, officers contacted two victims who reported being robbed at knife and gunpoint by three suspects. The victim's vehicle was taken during the robbery.

Patrol Officers were able to locate the stolen vehicle in the area of Bridge/Rose. Upon checking the surrounding area, the three listed suspects were located, at their residence, in the 300 Block of E. Rose. During a search of the residence, several stolen items belonging to the victims were recovered. A pellet gun and knife were also recovered. All three suspects were positively identified as being involved in the carjacking and robbery.

Violent Crimes Detectives responded to assist in the investigation. After being interviewed, all three suspects were booked into Tulare County Pre-trial Facility for Carjacking, Robbery, Possession of Stolen Property, and Conspiracy.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol/Violent Crimes

Supervisor: Sgt. Kroeze

