



VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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

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VPD Report Number: 17-63186, 17-63187,
TG17-0032

Date/Time Occurred: 8/4/17 0930 Hours

Type of Incident:
Narcotics Search Warrants
Refer below for criminal charges

Location: 800 block N. Floral, Visalia
400 block S. Dayton, Tulare
900 block N "A" St., Tulare

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Ruben Garcia	53	Tulare
2. Fabian Baltazar	27	Tulare
3. Adrian Baltazar	25	Visalia

Details: Additional Suspect: Flumencio Villarreal 52 Yrs.

After a one month joint investigation into the sales of narcotics in Visalia and Tulare, the Visalia Police Department Narcotics Unit, Special Enforcement Unit and the TARGET Task Force served 3 search warrants, 1 in Visalia and 2 in Tulare. During the search, officers located the following:

- 4 firearms
- 2 ounces of black heroin
- 12 grams of white heroin
- 3 grams of methamphetamine
- 18 grams of cocaine
- \$11, 489 in US currency

The following suspects were booked into the Tulare County Pretrial facility on the following charges:



Ruben Garcia:

Possession of heroin for sale
Possession of a controlled substance for sale while armed
Felon in possession of a firearm
Felon in possession of ammunition
Conspiracy to sell narcotics

Fabian Baltazar:

Resisting arrest
Violation of probation
Destruction of evidence
Conspiracy to sell narcotics

Adrian Baltazar:

Felon in possession of a firearm
Felon in possession of ammunition
Possession of methamphetamine for sale
Possession of a controlled substance for sale while armed
Possession of heroin for sale
Committing a felony while out on bail

Flumencio Villarreal

Possession of heroin

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Narcotics Unit

Supervisor: Sgt. S. Scofield

