



# VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\***

**August 6, 2017**

**VPD Report Number:** 17-63872

**Date/Time Occurred:** August 6th, 2017 at 7:50 PM

**Type of Incident:** Negligent Discharge of a Firearm

**Location:** Pershing Ave and Tracy St.

**Name of Business (if applicable):**

**Suspect:**

**Age:**

**Arrested:**

1. Natalie Florez	24	Yes
2. Samuel Valdez	29	Yes
3. Samantha Ramos	24	Yes
4. Juvenile	15	Yes

**Details:** On August 6th, 2017 at approximately 7:50 PM, officers from the Visalia Police Department were dispatched to a shots fired call in a field near the area of Pershing Ave and Tracy St. Officers were also advised that there were 5 subjects involved and that they leaving in a dark colored car. While responding to the area, the vehicle was observed near Court and Houston and eventually contacted at the Houston Market. Upon making contact with the vehicle, one subject fled on foot while the other occupants were eventually detained. The occupants of the car included Natalie Florez, Samuel Valdez, Samantha Ramos, and a 15 y/o male juvenile. During the course of the investigation, evidence was located at the scene linking the occupants and car to the scene. All four were eventually booked for Negligent Discharge of a Firearm and transported to the appropriate custodial facilities. Officers were unable to locate the fifth subject who is believed to have fled with the firearm while the other subjects were being contacted and detained

**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** Patrol

**Supervisor:** Sgt. Ford

