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NEWS RELEASE

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VPD Report Number: 18-039809

Date/Time Occurred: 5-4-18 at 0340

Type of Incident: Identity Theft

Location: Visalia Post Office

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

1. Pryor Stephanie

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3.

Age:

35

Arrested:

yes

Details: On 05/04/18 at approximately 3:40AM, suspect STEPHANIE PRYOR was contact by patrol Officers as a suspicious person in the Mooney Blvd. Walmart parking lot. Suspect Pryor was subsequently arrested on a warrant for I.D. Theft. During the contact Officers noticed mail that did not belong to suspect Pryor in her possession. The Visalia Police Department Property Crimes Unit responded to assist. A search of Pryor's vehicle located a large amount of stolen mail and burglar tools used to remove the mail from the outgoing mail boxes located in front of the Post Office. The suspect would steal the mail around the first of the month when victims would send out checks to pay their bills. Pryor would then alter the payee on the checks and cash them. Pryor was in possession of approximately \$95,000 in uncashed checks. We are currently still contacting victims to inform them that their checks were stolen. . Suspect Pryor was booked into the Tulare County Pre-Trial facility for charges related to I.D. theft, fraud, forgery and drug related charges due to her also having a controlled substance on her possession.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Detective J. Tejeda

Supervisor: Sgt. R. Gauger

