



VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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

July 19, 2018

VPD Report Number: 18-049816

Date/Time Occurred: June 4th, 2018 at 2100 hours.

Type of Incident: Attempted Murder

Location: Santa Fe and Murray

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Joshua Velasquez	25	Yes
2. Anthony Zamarripa	25	Yes
3. Robert Ruiz	18	Yes
4. Samuel Rangel	24	Yes
5. Male Juvenile	16	Yes
6. Robert Subia	21	Yes
7. Joshua Davison	20	Yes
8. Isael Reynoso	20	Yes
9. Joshua Aguirre	19	Yes
10. Daniel Contreras	25	Yes

Details: On June 4th, 2018 at approximately 9:00 PM, officers from the Visalia Police Department responded to a stabbing that occurred near the Transit Center. During that time, a white male victim in his 20's was found suffering from multiple stab wounds. The victim was transported and admitted to an area hospital for treatment. The Violent Crimes Unit was called in to investigate and discovered that several members of the Norteno Criminal Street gang had attacked the victim.

Over the past month, detectives with the Violent Crimes Unit and Special Enforcement Bureau developed leads in the investigation and identified the above listed nine subjects. On July 12th, 2018, units from the Visalia Police Department including the Violent Crimes Unit, Property Crimes Unit, Youth Services Unit, Special Enforce Bureau and SWAT Team; along with assistance of T.A.R.G.E.T, California Department of Corrections-Parole and the California Parole Apprehension Team conducted six search warrants in the City of Visalia. During the course of the search warrants, eight



of the above listed subjects (not including Samuel Rangel) were taken into custody. The search warrants were conducted in the following areas:

1. 1200 Block of East St. Johns
2. 300 Block of East School
3. 2600 Block of N. Giddings
4. 2600 Block of S. Fairway
5. 1900 Block of S. Bollinger
6. 1500 Block of E. Douglas

While the search warrants were being conducted, Officers from the Special Enforcement Unit were able to locate Samuel Rangel on 600 block of South Garden and he was taken into custody without incident. All subjects were subsequently transported to the Tulare County Pretrial Facility and booked for Attempted Murder and Gang Enhancements.

****UPDATE****

On July 18th, 2018 at approximately 8:30 PM, Daniel Contreras, the tenth and final suspect from the June 4th attempted murder, was contacted by patrol officers and taken into custody in the area of Noble and Chinowth. Upon being taken into custody, Daniel Contreras was booked for one count of Attempted Murder and Gang Enhancements.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Det. Sanchez

Supervisor: Sgt. Ford

