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

September 6, 2018

VPD Report Number: 18-77759

Date/Time Occurred: September 2nd at 5:03 AM

Type of Incident: Robbery, Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Vehicle Theft, and Burglary

Location: 200 block of E. Tulare

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Sarah Garcia

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Yes

2. Rudy Esquivel

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Yes

Details: On September 2nd, 2018 at approximately 5:03 AM, Officers responded to the 200 block of E. Tulare regarding a robbery that just occurred. Upon contacting the victim, it was discovered a female subject later identified as Sarah Garcia had been invited to the victim's residence by the victim. While she was there, Sarah Garcia invited another unknown subject to the residence who was later identified as Rudy Esquivel. Sarah Garcia and Rudy Esquivel eventually assaulted the victim, stabbing him multiple times in the back and head. The victim was able to flee while Garcia and Esquivel proceeded to steal several items along with the victim's vehicle. Detectives from the Violent Crimes Unit were called to assist with the investigation resulting in the identification of both Sarah Garcia and Rudy Esquivel.

On September 5th, 2018 at approximately 5:45 PM, Officers from the Special Enforcement Unit conducted a traffic stop on the stolen vehicle in the area of Mooney and Walnut. Both Rudy Esquivel and Sarah Garcia were located in the vehicle and taken into custody without incident. The property stolen from the residence was also located in the vehicle and both subjects were eventually booked for Robbery, Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Vehicle Theft, and Burglary. The victim has since been released from the hospital.



Arresting / Investigating Officer: Det. Martinez/SEU

Supervisor: Sgt. Ford

