



# VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\***  
**March 4, 2020**

**VPD Report Number:** 20-018113

**Date/Time Occurred:** March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 / 7:41 PM

**Type of Incident:** Assault w/ Deadly Weapon / Elder Abuse / Parole Violation

**Location:** 3600 Block of W. Noble Ave.

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

**Suspect:**

**Age:**

**Arrested:**

1. Hector Antonio Perez Rios

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Yes

2.

**Details:** On March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 at about 7:41 PM, officers were dispatched to the 3600 Block of W. Noble Ave. regarding a fight in progress. When officers arrived they located an 87-year-old man lying in the street unresponsive. The victim had suffered a significant head injury and was transported to KDMC where he is listed in critical condition. Witnesses identified Hector Antonio Perez Rios of Visalia as the person who committed this crime. Rios was found a short distance from the scene and taken into custody without incident. It was learned (S) Rios began punching the elderly male for no apparent reason, causing the victim to fall in the street. The suspect walked away briefly, only to return within seconds to kick the victim in the head. The motive for this incident is unknown. (S) Rios was found to be on active CDC parole. He was transported to the Adult Pre-Trial Facility where he was booked for the above listed charges. The Violent Crimes Unit will be following up on this case. Anyone with information is urged to contact the Violent Crimes Unit at 559-734-8117.

**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** Patrol

**Supervisor:**

Sgt. Chris Jennings



