



# VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\***  
**May 25, 2020**

**VPD Report Number:** 20-042525 **\*\*Update\*\***

**Date/Time Occurred:** 5-22-20/ 2020 hrs.

**Type of Incident:** Felony Evading/ Poss. Of Methamphetamine

**Location:** Murray/ Locust

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

N/A

**Suspect:**

**Age:**

**Arrested:**

1. McCrae, Rayford, Deshawn

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Yes

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**Details: \*\*Update\*\***

On 5-22-20 at 2020 hrs. Officers with the Special Enforcement Unit were patrolling the area of Grove and Jacob when they attempted to make a traffic stop on a white Mercedes. The driver of the vehicle failed to yield and a brief pursuit was initiated. The driver of the vehicle abandoned his vehicle at Murray/ Locust and attempted to flee on foot. Officers chased the suspect on foot and were able to take him into custody without incident. The suspect initially identified himself as Michael Armwood-Holmes and was also in possession of a California I.D. bearing the same name. (S)- was booked at the Tulare County Pre-Trial Facility for Felony Evading, Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and Resisting Arrest. A Live-Scan Fingerprint Identification was conducted on the suspect at the Pre-Trial Facility following his booking and his true identity of Rayford Deshawn McCrae was discovered. (S)- McCrae was still in custody on the original charges at the time of this discovery and the charge of providing false identification to a peace officer to avoid prosecution was added to his list of offenses.

This press release is an update/correction to the previous press release bearing the same report number originally released on 5-22-20.



**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** Special Enforcement Unit

**Supervisor:** Sgt. Mike Short

