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

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VPD Report Number: 20-081943

Date/Time Occurred: 09/25/2020 1548 hours

Type of Incident: Home Invasion Arrest

Location: 3800 blk W Safford, Visalia
2200 blk N. Crowe, Visalia

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Juan Martinez

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Yes

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Details: This afternoon at 1548 hours, Officers responded to a home invasion that had just occurred in the 3800 blk W. Safford. The caller advised an unknown male entered her house through the unlocked front door and started taking items. The resident attempted to stop him; however, he shoved her to the ground causing her to suffer minor injuries. The male fled the residence in a grey vehicle. The license plate was obtained using security video.

At 1556 hours, a caller from the 2400 blk W. Sunnyview reported an unknown male had tried to get in their residence, but the front door was locked. He fled in a grey vehicle.

At 1608 hours, a neighbor called stating a grey vehicle was parked in front a residence with the car alarm sounding. Officers arrived and confirmed it was the same vehicle from the first home invasion on W. Safford. The male, Juan Martinez, was detained without incident. It was discovered Martinez had attempted a home invasion at a residence nearby; however, the two occupants were able to keep him from entering the unlocked door by pushing him out. Martinez had also attempted to pry open the rear door of an unoccupied residence at this location.

Martinez was arrested for home invasion robbery, attempted home invasion robbery and attempted residential burglary. He was also found to have two felony warrants and three misdemeanor warrants for his arrest. He was booked at the Tulare County Jail.



Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol

Supervisor: Sgt. Lentzner

