



VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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*****NEWS RELEASE*****
November 21, 2020

VPD Report Number: 20-098720

Date/Time Occurred: 11-19-20

Type of Incident: Human Trafficking Detail

Location: City of Visalia

Name of Business (if applicable):

N/A

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Contreras, Gabriel	36	Yes
2. Cho, Song	26	Yes
3. Arciga- Valero, Pedro	29	Yes
4. Aguinaga, Domingo	43	Yes
5. Torres- Suarez, Luis	35	Yes
6. Dowdy, Darren	21	Yes

Details: On 11-19-20, Officers and Detectives with the Visalia Police Department Special Enforcement Unit, Narcotics Unit, TARGET Task-Force, Tulare County District Attorney’s Office, Tulare County Sheriff’s Office, and the Tulare Police Department, conducted a Human Trafficking “John” detail in the City of Visalia. During the operation, six individuals were contacted for soliciting sexual acts. They were arrested by officers and booked at the Tulare County Pre-Trial facility. A seventh individual was contacted during the operation and charges related to solicitation of prostitution will be filed with the District Attorney’s Office. This detail was coordinated as part of the Tulare County Human Trafficking Task Force.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Special Enforcement Unit

Supervisor: Sgt. Mike Short

