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

January 2, 2021

VPD Report Number: 21-000539

Date/Time Occurred: 01/02/2021 at 6:21 PM

Type of Incident: Commercial Burglary and Vandalism

Location: 1405 W. Cameron Ave

Name of Business (if applicable):

Costco

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

Ruiz, Desarie

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Yes

Hernandez, Christina

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Yes

Estrada, Anthony

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Yes

Details: On 01/02/2021, at 6:21 PM, officers were dispatched to Costco for a report of a theft in progress. Officers arrived on scene and learned three suspects exited an emergency door of the business with over \$3,000 of stolen items without paying. The suspects loaded the items into their vehicle and attempted to leave when an uninvolved witness used their vehicle to block the suspect vehicle in an attempt to keep the suspect vehicle from leaving. The suspects rammed the witness's vehicle and fled the scene. Officers located the suspect vehicle in the area of Demaree/Vassar and initiated a traffic stop and contacted and arrested the above listed suspects. All of the stolen items were recovered and returned to the store. The suspects were transported to the Tulare County Adult Pre Trial Facility. No injuries were reported during this incident.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol

Supervisor: Sgt. J.Cummings

