



VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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*****NEWS RELEASE*****
February 9, 2022

VPD Report Number: 22-010655

Date/Time Occurred: 2/9/22 1337 hrs.

Type of Incident: Attempt Arson

Location: 700 blk. N. Court

Name of Business (if applicable):

Visalia Youth Services

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Gordon, Keato

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Yes

2.

Details: On 2/9/22 at 1:37 p.m. officers with the Visalia Police Department were dispatched to the parking lot of the Visalia Youth Services for a subject that had stuffed a rag into the gas tank of a vehicle and was attempting to light the rag on fire. Officers arrived on scene and located the suspect, later identified as Keato Gordon (40), who was initially uncooperative. Officers were able to calm the suspect down enough to speak with him. After conducting their investigation officers determined that sufficient probable cause existed to arrest the suspect for attempted arson. As officers moved in to place the suspect in handcuffs, he again became upset and uncooperative with officers. The officers were able to place him into handcuffs without further incident and he was transported to the Tulare County Pre-Trial Facility where he was booked on attempted arson charges.

There were no injuries or property damage as a result of this incident.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol Division

Supervisor: Agt. H. Martinez

