



# VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\***

**April 1, 2022**

**VPD Report Number:** 22-026466

**Date/Time Occurred:** April 1, 2022 / 3:09 a.m.

**Type of Incident:** Attempt Homicide, Arson, Conspiracy, Child Endangerment, and multiple Firearm related charges

**Location:** 600 block S. Garden St.

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

N/A

**Suspect:**

**Age:**

**Arrested:**

- 1. Esteban Rosales
- 2. Ramona Barnes

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Yes  
Yes

**Details:** On April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022, at approximately 3:09 a.m., officers responded to a report of a residential fire in the 600 block of S. Garden St. Upon arrival, the resident reported that an incendiary device had been thrown through their window causing a fire. The victims, which included an infant, were treated on scene for minor injuries.

Upon further investigation, officers learned the suspects were known to the victims and had fled in a vehicle prior to officers' arrival. Officers conducted a traffic stop nearby on a vehicle matching the description of the suspect vehicle where Suspect Rosales and Suspect Barnes were both arrested without incident. A search of the vehicle was conducted where officers located evidence linking them to the arson as well as being in possession of an illegal firearm. Both suspects were booked into the Tulare County Pre-Trial Facility.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is urged to contact Detective Andrew Saelee at 559-713-4576. Those wishing to remain anonymous can contact the Anonymous Tip-Line at 559-713-4738.

**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** Patrol/Violent Crimes/Property Crimes/Crime Lab

**Supervisor:** Agent N. Henry

