



# VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\***  
**July 15, 2022**

**VPD Report Number: 22-060085**

**Date/Time Occurred: July 15, 2022, 1229 hrs**

**Type of Incident:** Parental Abduction, Child Endangerment, Violation of a Court Order, and Resisting, Obstructing or Delaying a Peace Officer Arrest

**Location:** 3100 blk S. Court

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

N/A

**Suspect:**

**Age:**

**Arrested:**

1. Juan Carlos Diaz-Zama
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Yes

**Details:** On 7-15-2022, at approximately 1229 hrs, officers responded to the 3100 blk of S. Court regarding a suspicious circumstance. The suspect, Juan Carlos Diaz-Zama, was taking part in a supervised visitation with his child when he unexpectedly fled with the child. Officers immediately responded to the area. Two detectives responded to the area and located both the suspect and the child in the area of Beech and West. Diaz-Zama abandoned the child and fled on foot. One detective stayed with the child while the other pursued the suspect on foot, catching him a short time later without incident. The child was unharmed and reunited with family members. Diaz-Zama was transported and booked at the Tulare County Pretrial facility for charges of Parental Abduction, Child Endangerment, Violation of a Court Order, and Resisting, Obstructing or Delaying a Peace Officer.

**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** Patrol / Violent Crimes

**Supervisor:** Sergeant J. Pree

