



# VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\***  
**September 6, 2022**

**VPD Report Number:** 22-076743

**Date/Time Occurred:** 09/06/2022 0227 hrs.

**Type of Incident:** Robbery, Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Possession of Stolen Property, Illegal Possession of a Firearm.

**Location:** 600 S. Lovers Lane, Visalia

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

AM/PM

**Suspect:**

**Age:**

**Arrested:**

1. Juvenile

16

Yes

2.

**Details:** On 9/6/2022 at approximately 2:27 a.m., Visalia Police Department Officers were dispatched to the 600 block of S. Lovers Lane regarding a shooting that had just occurred. Upon arrival, officers learned that the suspect had robbed the victim at gunpoint, shot him in the leg, and fled the scene in a vehicle prior to officers' arrival. The Violent Crimes Unit was called out to take over the investigation and a vehicle description for the suspect was obtained and broadcast to local agencies.

While detectives were still investigating the original incident, Tulare County Sheriff's Office Deputies stopped a vehicle matching the description of the suspect vehicle. During the stop, a 16-year-old juvenile suspect fled from the vehicle and discarded a loaded firearm. The suspect was located a short time later and was taken into custody. The suspect was booked at the Tulare County Juvenile Detention Facility for Robbery, Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Possession of Stolen Property, and Illegal Possession of a Firearm.

The victim was transported to a local hospital where he was treated and released.

This incident is still under investigation and anyone with additional information is urged to contact Detective Daniel McBride at 559-713-4211. Those individuals wishing to remain anonymous can contact the Anonymous Tip-Line at 559-713-4738.

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

**Supervisor:** Sgt. Nate Flaws

