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### Visalia Shops Busted for Illegal Gambling

Recently, the Visalia Police Department has received complaints of illegal gambling at several businesses in Visalia. The Narcotics Unit investigated these complaints and found that multiple businesses have been using various online gaming platforms to facilitate illegal gambling.

Yesterday, the Visalia Police Department Narcotics Unit and Special Enforcement Unit served search warrants at the following locations:

- Huff and Puff Smoke Shop at 515 W. Murray
- Puff and Pass Smoke Shop at 534 S. Lovers Lane
- 1 Stop Shop at 404 E. Tulare
- 1 Stop Shop II at 1927 S. Central

Evidence of illegal online gambling and bookkeeping were located at each location. Reports will be submitted to the Tulare County District Attorney's Office for review for criminal charges against some business owners and employees. The City of Visalia Code Enforcement officers responded and issued cease and desist orders for each of the listed businesses.

Anyone with information is urged to contact the Visalia Police Department at 559-734-8116. Those wishing to remain anonymous can contact the Anonymous Tip Line at (559) 713-4738.

