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Man Busted for Cutting Electricity Wires to Street Lights, Causing Damage to a Vehicle and Climbing Fire Truck

Just before 8:00 p.m., VPD officers were called to the area of Goshen Avenue and Clancy Street for a report of a vehicle versus pedestrian. When the officers arrived, they found that an accident had not occurred. Officers were told 33-year-old Daniel Torrez was walking in the center median on Goshen Avenue and Clancy Street cutting electrical wires to city streetlights. Three city lights lost power.

Torrez then threw the concrete cover protecting the wires at a moving vehicle causing minor damage. Thankfully, no one was hurt.

The Visalia Fire Department arrived at the scene first. As VFD attempted to contact Torrez, he began climbing their fire truck. However, VFD was able to detain him.

Officers arrested Torrez and he will be booked at the Tulare County Adult Pre-Trial facility for throwing objects at moving vehicles, vandalism, impeding emergency responders, malicious mischief to a vehicle, under the influence of a controlled substance.



