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Over 70 Arrests Made During Holiday Retail Theft Detail

During the last month the Property Crimes Unit and HOPE Team have partnered with retail businesses in the City of Visalia to combat retail theft. Over the month of November, the Visalia Police Department conducted numerous special details to deter retail theft. As a result of the special details the Property Crimes Unit and HOPE Team have made over 75 arrests for various theft related crimes including, retail theft, grand theft, conspiracy to commit theft and robbery. Over \$30,000 worth of merchandise has been recovered and returned to the retail businesses.

These details have also included over 25 contacts with individuals that resulted in deterring them from committing retail theft. The Visalia Police Department will continue these operations throughout the holiday season in an effort to deter retail theft and promote safe shopping experience for our community.

The Visalia Police Department is asking the community to report any suspicious activity by calling (559)734-8116 or if you wish to remain anonymous you can call the tipline (559)713-4738.

