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## **DUI Checkpoint Results**

Suspects	Arrested:
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Raul Mercado Jr. 29yrs from Visalia, CA. (Arrested for DUI)

## **Details:**

On 3/1/13 - 3/2/13, between 2100-0300 hrs, members of the Visalia Police Department DUI Team, Traffic Unit, Volunteer Unit, and Patrol Division conducted a DUI checkpoint in the area of Caldwell and Fairway. During the course of this detail there were (173) vehicles checked, with (6) FST's given, resulting in (1) DUI arrest. There were also (10) citations for unlicensed driving issued, (1) for driving on a suspended license, and (26) additional citations were issued for other offenses. (4) vehicles were towed and stored during the checkpoint.

The DUI Enforcement Team and other units of the Visalia Police Department will be conducting additional details aimed at deterring drinking and driving. Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

If you have any questions, contact Sergeant Amy Watkins at 713-4216.

Submitted by Officer Jacob Heaton, 3/2/2013.

