



VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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NEWS RELEASE

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Multi-Agency Gang Intervention Task Force Committee

The Visalia Police Department intends to stay true to our commitment towards gang prevention. Chief Colleen Mestas would like to remind the community that research studies have shown that youth are much more likely to commit crimes in summer months due to the longer days, as well as a lack of boredom and restlessness from not being in school. The research also shows that youth usually commit crimes between the hours of 4 p.m. and midnight. With this in mind, we would like to remind parents that the City of Visalia offers a wide variety of summer programs designed to keep our youth engaged in positive activities. Parents are also reminded that the City of Visalia imposes curfew restrictions on minors (18 and under) between the hours of 11 p.m. and 5 a.m.

We encourage residents to take advantage of the recreation opportunities available this summer, and we ask the community to remain vigilant and promptly report crime and suspicious activity.

Community Contacts:

City of Visalia Parks and Recreation Department

345 N. Jacob Street, Visalia, CA 93291

Contact: (559) 713-4365



Visalia Police Activities League

701 East Race Avenue, Visalia.

Contact: 559-732-2233



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303 S. Johnson Street, Visalia CA 93291

Emergency: 911

Non-Emergency: 734-8116

Anonymous Hotline: 713-4738

