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VPD Explorer POST takes 1st place in statewide Explorer Competition

The Visalia Police Department is proud to announce our Explorer POST 32 was awarded first place during the 7th annual Central Valley Explorer Competition hosted by the Tulare County Sheriff's Office. The event took place March 20-22 at the Tulare County Fairgrounds in Tulare, CA.

27 Explorer Posts from as far away as Richmond and Calexico competed in several events including crime scene investigation, building searches, crisis negotiation, DUI, use of force options, and physical agility.

Overall POST 32 collected 12 trophies including first place in the following events: felony car stop, domestic violence and medical response.

The Explorer POST is a positive, community based program designed to give youths and young adults 14-21 years of age an in depth look into a law enforcement career. They are taught by department instructors various law enforcement concepts and frequently put those skills to the test against other law enforcement explorer programs.

An Explorer must be a self-motivated individual who maintains a minimum 2.0 grade point average and cannot be failing any classes. If you would like more information on this challenging program please contact Sgt. Luma Fahoum at 713-4092 or Bob Douglas at 713-4248 or visit <u>VPD32.org</u>.

