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NEWS RELEASE
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VPD F	Report Number:	17-32524	Date/Time Occurre	ed: 4/25/17	2341 hours
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Type of Incident: Homicide **Location:** 1800 block of S. Encina

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:	<u> Age:</u>	<u>Arrested:</u>
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Details: On the listed date and time, Visalia Police Department officers responded to the 1800 block of S. Encina for a report of shots being fired. Upon arrival, officers located a 51 year old male and a 41 year old female suffering from gunshot wounds. Both victims were transported to Kaweah Delta Medical Center. The female was pronounced deceased. The male is in critical condition. Violent Crimes Detectives were called to the scene to assist.

During the course of this investigation, detectives learned one victim was on a bicycle and one victim was on foot. Both victims were traveling together when they were approached by a male on foot who fired several shots at them and fled south on Encina. Detectives have detained one male and are interviewing this person to determine his involvement. It is unknown if this incident is gang related. The female victim's name is being withheld pending next of kin notification. Anyone with information to this incident is urged to call the Visalia Police Department at (559) 734-8117 or Crime Stoppers at (559) 498-STOP.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: VPD Patrol / VC Unit **Supervisor:** Sgt. D. Maurice S122

