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\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\*
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VPD Report Number: 17-77734 Date/Time Occurred: 09/20/17 @ 1830 Hours

**Type of Incident:** Assault with a Deadly Weapon Arrest **Location:** 100 Block of NW 5<sup>th</sup>

## Name of Business (if applicable):

N/A

Suspect:	Age:	Arrested:
1. Male Juvenile	13	Yes
2. Male Juvenile	11	Yes
3. Male Juvenile	13	Yes

## **Details:**

Additional Suspect:

4. Male Juvenile Age: 12 Arrested: Yes

On 09/20/17 at 1830 hours, Officers were dispatched to the 100 block of N.E. 5th for a disturbance. Upon arrival, Officers learned that two juveniles were harassing an elderly female who was in the area. According to witnesses, the suspects used wooden sticks to strike the victim numerous times before fleeing from the area on foot. The victim sustained several injuries and was transported to Kaweah Delta Medical Center where she was treated for non-life threatening wounds. Both suspects were located near the scene of the incident after a search of the surrounding area. The 13 year old suspect was later booked at the Juvenile Detention Facility for charges of Elder Abuse and Assault with a Deadly Weapon. The 11 year old suspect was cited to T-Bolt and released to his parents.

\*\*\*UPDATE - 09/28/17\*\*\*

Since the original incident, Youth Services Officers and Violent Crimes Detectives have continued the investigation. 2 additional male juveniles have been identified and arrested regarding this case. They were both booked into Juvenile Hall. The investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information is asked to contact Det. Henry Martinez at (559)713-4156.



**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** Patrol / YSO / VC Supervisor: Sgt. K. Kroeze