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VPD Report Number: 20-099520 20-104082 Type of Incident: Attempt Homicide (Shooting) Date/Time Occurred: 11-22-20 12-08-20 Location: 1720 E. Mineral King 1439 E. Noble

Name of Business (if applicable): Relax Inn Little Caesars Pizza

Suspect:	<u>Age:</u>	Arrested:
1. Gonzalez, Myles (20-099520, 20-104082)	18	Yes
2. Male Juvenile (20-104082)	17	Yes
3. Gutierrez, Ramon (20-099520)	32	Yes

Details: <u>Relax Inn:</u>

11-22-2020, 1210 hours, officers responded to the area of Mineral King and Cain regarding multiple shots fired. Several individuals were witnessed fleeing the area. Upon arrival officers searched the area the suspects fled to, but this met with negative results. It was learned three unknown suspects got into a verbal altercation with other males who were in the parking lot of the Relax Inn. One of the suspects produced a handgun and shot multiple rounds towards the other males and fled. There were no injuries as a result of the shooting. The victims in this matter also fled the area. This matter is currently under investigation, and is believed to be gang related.



Little Caesars Pizza:

On 12-08-2020 at 1658 hours, officers were dispatched to the Mary's Vineyard Shopping Center at Ben Maddox/Noble regarding a shooting that had just occurred in the parking lot. Upon arrival, officers located three victims who were suffering gunshot wounds. They were all transported to KDMC for medical treatment. All three men are expected to survive. The suspects fled the scene prior to the arrival of officers.

*****UPDATE****

Officers and Detectives with the Special Enforcement Bureau took over the investigation of these two cases. During the course of the investigation, information was developed regarding the identity of the individuals involved.

On 12-17-20 at 0700 hours, Officers with the Special Enforcement Bureau, Visalia P.D. SWAT, TARGET Task Force, U.A.S. Unit, and Property Crimes Unit served arrest and search warrants at two different locations within the City of Visalia. As a result, Myles Gonzalez and a male juvenile were taken into custody in relation to the Little Caesars Pizza shooting. Myles Gonzalez was also arrested in connection with the Relax Inn shooting. Suspect Ramon Gutierrez was previously arrested in connection with the Relax Inn shooting on 12-3-20. This is an ongoing investigation and anyone with information is urged to contact the Visalia Police Department Tip-Line at (559) 713-4738.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Special Enforcement Bureau

Supervisor: Sgt. Mike Short

