



# **Visalia Police Department**

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## **Injury Traffic Collision – Hit and Run**

### **Injured Party:**

**Alexander Garcia , 2 years old, from Visalia**

### **Details:**

On 03/12/11, at approximately 1155 hrs, the listed juvenile was riding a non-motorized scooter in a cul-de-sac in the 2300 block of north Rinaldi when he was struck by a vehicle traveling south on Rinaldi. Witnesses reported that the driver of the vehicle initially stopped and exited the vehicle but then got back into her vehicle and fled the scene. The juvenile was not wearing a helmet and sustained serious injuries. He was first transported by ambulance to Kaweah Delta Medical Center and was later transferred to Children's Hospital Central California. The Visalia Police Department Traffic Unit is investigating the cause of the collision. The vehicle that fled the scene of the collision is described as a newer brown or tan sport utility vehicle with paper plates. The driver is described as a Hispanic female with two small children in the vehicle. Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact the Visalia Police Department at 559-734-8116.

If you have any questions, contact Sergeant Gary Williams at 713-4216.

Submitted by Sergeant B. Winter (Visalia PD Traffic Unit) 03/12/11, 1745 hrs.