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NEWS RELEASE

October 9, 2012

VPD Report Number: 12-14827

Date/Time Occurred: 10/8/12 at 1542

Type of Incident: Attempted Carjacking, Assault with a
Deadly Weapon, Conspiracy

Location: 303 S. Court St. / Parking Structure

Victim or Party:

Age:

1. Confidential
2. Confidential
- 3.

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Brittney Gipson
2. Veronica Baker
- 3.

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Yes
Yes

Details:

October 8, 2012, at 1542 hours, the Visalia Police Department received multiple 911 calls reporting two suspects, a man and woman, attempting to carjack victims at gunpoint in the parking structure located across the street from Kaweah Delta Medical Center. Multiple calls were received from victims and witnesses identifying the male suspect as wearing a "Scream" Halloween mask and brandishing a firearm.

Officers immediately responded to the area and located both suspects two blocks from the scene of the crime. Both suspects were identified and in possession of evidence connecting them to the reported crime.

Male suspect, Brittney Gipson 25, was arrested and booked into the Tulare County Jail Facility on two counts of attempted carjacking, assault with a deadly weapon, and conspiracy. Gipson is also a parolee-at-large wanted on assault with a deadly weapon and criminal threats charges. Female suspect, Veronica Baker 26, was arrested and booked into the Tulare County Jail Facility on similar charges.

Arresting / Investigating Officer(s): Visalia Police Department Patrol

Supervisor: Sergeant J. Carr







