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NEWS RELEASE

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Street Solicitor Prevention Campaign

Visalia Police Department Traffic Unit

The Visalia Police Department Traffic Unit conducted an operation to curb the activities of street solicitors who endanger their safety and the safety of others by entering the roadway and impeding vehicular traffic. The operation was conducted May 6th through May 13th, and May 21st through May 28th, 2013.

Results:

Officers issued sixteen (16) citations during this detail. Eleven (11) citations were issued for Solicitation near a Freeway On/Off-Ramp (California Vehicle Code Section 22520.5), and five (5) citations were issued for Pedestrians in the Roadway (California Vehicle Code Section 21956).

Violation Locations

Cites Issued

Demaree St. /Mineral King Ave.	8
Demaree St. /Noble Ave.	1
Akers St. /Goshen Ave	1
Mooney Blvd. /Orchard Ave	1
Riggin Ave. /Dinuba Blvd.	1
Noble Ave @ Mary's Vineyard	3
Hwy 198 @ Lovers Ln.	1

Officers cited three different individuals multiple times, a total of nine offenders were cited.

Personnel Involved: VPD Traffic Unit

Supervisor: Sgt. C. McLain

