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NEWS RELEASE
July 31, 2013

VPD Report Number: 13-09368 **Date/Time Occurred:** 07-31-13/1536 hrs.

Type of Incident: Grand Theft Person Location: Main/Jacob

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect: Age: Arrested:

1. Ricardo Escobar 25 Yes

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Details: On 07/31/13, at 1536 hrs. Officers responded to the area of Recreation Park regarding a possible strong arm robbery that had just occurred. Upon arrival, Officers detained subject meeting the description of the (S) running through Recreation Park. (S) Ricardo Escobar was positively identified by witnesses in this case. The (V) advised that she was sitting on the bench at the bus stop located at Main and Jacob streets, when the (S) sat down next to her on the bench. The (S) then reached over grabbed her purse that was sitting on her lap and fled northbound on Jacob street. No involved parties were injured. The (S) was transported and booked into the Tulare County Main Jail per PC 487(c)-Grand Theft Person.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Agt. Bill Diltz A135 Supervisor: Sgt. J. Andrews S117