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**VPD Report Number:** 13-09373 **Type of Incident:** Commercial Burglary/ Robbery **Date/Time Occurred:** 07/31/13 1716 hours **Location:** 2200 Block S. Mooney

## Name of Business (if applicable):

Ross Stores

Suspect:	Age:	Arrested:
1. Sarah Valencia	35	Yes
2. Eugenio Cruz	55	Yes
<b>3.</b> Jose Guzman	25	Yes

**Details:** On 07/31/13, Officers responded to a report of a strong arm Robbery which had occurred in the parking lot of Kohl's Department store on South Mooney. Officers discovered that a citizen had observed several persons in two suspicious vehicles, that appeared to have stolen merchandise from the store in their vehicle. When the citizen began to use their cell phone to document the vehicle information, an unknown male suspect forcefully took the phone from the victim. Both vehicles fled the area. Visalia PD patrol division located one of the vehicles leaving the City of Visalia on 198. During a traffic enforcement stop over \$4,000 of stolen merchandise from the Ross department store was recovered. the three listed suspects above were arrested for Commercial Burglary and Conspiracy to Committ Burglary. The other vehicle and Suspect remain outstanding. The above individuals were booked into the Tulare County Jail without inThis case is still under investigation.

**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** Commercial Policing/Property Crimes

Supervisor: Sgt. A. Watkins



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