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NEWS RELEASE
February 1, 2014

VPD Report Number: 14-01052

Date/Time Occurred: 01-28-14 at 0129

Type of Incident: Attempted Murder / Gang

Location: 3200 blk of W. Campus

Enhancement

Name of Business (if applicable):

Male Adult

Suspect:	Age:	<u>Arrested:</u>
1. Cortez, Anthony	26	Yes
2. Martinez, Maria Dalia	54	Yes
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Details: On 1/28/14 at 0129 hours officers responded a call of shots fired in the area of Campus and County Center in the City of Visalia. Following the initial response an investigation was launched by the Visalia Police Department Gang Suppression Unit and agents from the TARGET task force. It was learned that a gang motived altercation took place between Cortez and a male adult victim. During the altercation Cortez produced a handgun fired numerous rounds at the victim. On 1/31/14 GSU and TARGET Officers located Cortez in the 1000 blk of W. Houston where he was taken into custody without incident. Two search warrants were subsequently served following his arrest. S/Martinez was arrested at one location for narcotics sales unrelated to the shooting. S/Cortez was booked for 664/187 PC and a gang enhancement.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Gang Suppression Unit / TARGET Supervisor: Sgt C.Brown

