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VPD Report Number: 14-03165

Type of Incident:

Possession of Methamphetamine for Sales Sales of Narcotics Within 1000 feet of a School Possession of Marijuana for Sales Gang Enhancement Possession of Methamphetamine Possession of Drug Paraphernalia Committing a Felony While on Bail **Date/Time Occurred:** 3/14/14 1115 hours **Location:** 2000 Block of South Locust

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:	Age:	Arrested:
1. David Casares	31	Yes
2. Raquel Marie Rodriguez	24	Yes

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Details: On 3/14/14 at approximately 1115 hours, detectives from the Visalia Police Department Narcotics Unit and the Gang Suppression Unit served a search warrant at a residence in the 2000 Block of South Locust as part of an investigation into the sales of narcotics. (S) Casares was the target of this investigation and is on AB109 probation. During a search of the residence, officers located approximately 1 ounce of methamphetamine, marijuana and currency.

(S) Casares was transported and booked into the Tulare County Jail for possession of methamphetamine for sales, sales of narcotics within 1000 feet of a school, possession of marijuana for sales and gang enhancement. The location of the investigation was within blocks of Mountain View Elementary School.

(S) Rodriguez, who was located at the residence and was out of bail for a felony arrest, had methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia in her purse. (S) Rodriguez was transported and booked into the Tulare County Jail for possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia and committing a felony while on bail.



Arresting / Investigating Officer: Narcotics Unit

Supervisor: R. Epp

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