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VPD Report Number: 14-03850

Type of Incident: Commercial Burglary, Identity Theft, Grand Theft, Conspiracy

Date/Time Occurred: 3/29/14 Location: 3750 S. Mooney Blvd.

Name of Business (if applicable):

Walmart Stores

Suspect:	Age:	Arrested:
1. Sabrina Sidhu	45	Yes
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Details:

On March 29, 2014, at approximately 1800 hours, Sabrina Sidhu entered the Walmart on S. Mooney Blvd in Visalia, with a pre-made fraudulent receipt for store merchandise. The suspect selected approximately \$2,400 in merchandise and attempted to return the items using the fraudulent receipt. Walmart store associates denied the return and contacted loss prevention who determined the receipt was fictitious. The suspect fled the store with \$2,400 worth of property.

An investigation into the suspect led to the identification of suspect Sidhu from Fresno. On Thursday, April 3, 2014, detectives from the Visalia Police Department with assistance from Central Valley Joint Fugitive Task Force, contacted and arrested Sabrina Sidhu in the city of Fresno. A search warrant was served at Sidhu's residence in the 4000 blk of N. Bengston, Fresno. Detectives located computers, printing material used to print fraudulent receipts, a large amount of unopened merchandise stolen from Walmart, and methamphetamine.

Walmart Loss Prevention was able to confirm the property recovered was stolen from Walmart stores located in Fresno, Hanford, and Visalia. Sidhu was booked into the Tulare County Jail under charges of commercial burglary, identity theft, grand theft, and conspiracy. Sidhu will also face charges of possession of methamphetamine and possession of stolen property in Fresno County. The investigation is ongoing at this time.



Arresting / Investigating Officer: Property Crimes Unit

Supervisor: Sergeant Watkins

