

## **VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT Colleen Mestas, Chief of Police**

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\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\* May 15, 2014

VPD Report Number: 14-05908 Type of Incident: Attempted Murder Date/Time Occurred: 5-15-14 / 0325 hours **Location:** Buena Vista / Court Street

## Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:	Age:	Arrested:
1. Balderama, Patrick James	21	Yes

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Details: On 5-15-14 at approximately 3:25 a.m., Visalia Police Officers responded to the area of Buena Vista and Court Stree for a report of a gunshot victim. Upon arrival officers located an adult male victim suffering from at least one gunshot wound to the torso. The victim was transported to KDMC in serious condition. An additional victim that was not injured was interviewed. Detectives from the Violent Crimes Unit were called out and developed information identifying Patrick Balderama, a northern gang member as the suspected shooter. Members of the Gang Supression Unit took Balderama into custody without incident at about 1100 hours. Balderama was subsequently booked at the Main Jail for attempted murder charges.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol Division, Property Crimes Unit/ Gang Suppression Unit, Violent Crimes Unit.

**Supervisor:** Sergeant A. Watkins

