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NEWS RELEASE
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VPD Report Number: 14-06798 Date/Time Occurred: 06/04/14 0432 hrs

Location: CALDWELL/ DANS

Type of Incident: ATTEMPT HOMICIDE/ VEHICLE

PURSUIT ARRESTS

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:	Age:	Arrestea:
1. ORENELAS, MICHAEL ANTHONY JR	22	YES
2. LEIJA, JOEY ANTHONY	22	YES
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Details: On 06/04/14 at 0432 hrs, officers responded to a drive-by shooting which had just occurred in the area of Caldwell/ Dans. The victim called back stating the suspects were chasing his vehicle shooting at him. Officers located the suspect vehicle at Akers and Tulare Ave. The suspect vehicle failed to yield and a pursuit was initiated. An officer disabled the suspect vehicle at Demaree and Meadow using the Pursuit Intervention Technique (P.I.T.) maneuver. The driver was arrested in the vehicle. The passenger fled through several yards and was located and arrested on a roof of a residence. Two firearms were located. The victim was uninjured. The Violent Crimes Unit is investigating the incident. The investigation revealed the incident is gang related.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol/ Violent Crimes Unit Supervisor: Sgt. Lentzner S123

