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VPD Report Number: 15-04636 Type of Incident: Homicide arrest **Date/Time Occurred:** 4/7/15 2112 hours **Location:** 4300 block W. Damsen

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:	Age:	Arrested:
1. Jose Marquez Tovar	25	yes

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Details: On the listed date and time, the Visalia Police Department responded to a residence in the 4300 block of W. Damsen regarding a report of an unresponsive 17 year old female. Upon arrival, officers found the victim in the home and began CPR. She was taken by ambulance to Kaweah Delta Medical Center and later pronounced deceased.

The investigation revealed S/Tovar provided illegal narcotics to the victim which is believed to have been a factor in her death. The exact cause of death will be determined by the Tulare County Coroner.

S/Tovar was questioned at the scene and subsequently arrested without incident. He was booked at the Tulare County Pre Trial Facility for murder.

Anyone with information to this incident is urged to contact the Visalia Police Department at (559) 734-8117 or Crime Stoppers at 498-STOP.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: VPD Patrol / Violent Crimes Unit Supervisor: Sgt. D. Maurice

