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VPD Report Number: 15-08571 Type of Incident: Child Abuse **Date/Time Occurred:** 6/21/15 @ 1730 hours **Location:** 300 BLK. NW 2nd, Visalia

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:	Age:	Arrested:
1. Isabel Sanchez	30	Yes
2. Corina Avalos	26	Yes

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Details: On listed date and time officers responded to the listed location to investigate a possible child abuse called in by a 12 year old female. Upon arrival officers met with four children ages, 14, 12, 9, and 7 who were home alone. After speaking with them officers were shown injuries on two of the children that appeared consistent with child abuse. Each child alleged that the injuries were caused by their biological mother (Sanchez) and her live in girlfriend (Avalos), and this has been an ongoing issue. While officer were at the scene both suspects arrived and were detained for investigation. A VPD Violent Crimes detective responded to complete the investigation and Sanchez was charged with one count of child abuse, while Avalos was charged with four counts of child abuse. Both suspects were booked at the Tulare County Pre-Trial facility and the children were placed with CWS.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: VPD Patrol and Violent Crimes Unit Supervisor: Sgt. B. Miller

