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NEWS RELEASE
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VPD Report Number: 18-063166

Type of Incident: Vehicle pursuit, felony DUI, auto

theft, and possession of stolen property

Date/Time Occurred: 7/15/18 at 2221 hours **Location:** Ben Maddox and Noble (Visalia)

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:	Age:	Arrested:
1. Male Juvenile	14	Yes
2. Female Juvenile x 3	16	Yes
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Details: On July 15th at approximately 10:15 p.m. the Visalia Police Department received a call regarding a reckless driver in the area of Ben Maddox and Vassar. The citizen call reported that subject were holding beer cans out of the window and driving recklessly. During a check of the area an officer locates the vehicle near Ben Maddox and Noble and attempts to stop the vehicle. The vehicle failed to yield to officers, and a pursuit was initiated. The pursued vehicle ultimately became involved in a single vehicle collision at Goshen Ave and Camp Drive. All four occupants of the vehicle were arrested at the scene without further incident, and transported to a local hospital for treatment of minor injuries. It was learned that all four of the occupants were juveniles and the vehicle they were in had been stolen from a residence in Visalia.

The driver of the vehicle was arrested for multiple charges including felony D.U.I. and felony evading. The passengers were arrested for other charges related to the auto theft, and two of the suspects were charged with probation violations.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol Supervisor: Sgt. Curtis Brown

