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VPD Report Number: Date/Time Occurred:

19-023744 / 03-23-2019 / 2326 hours

Type of Incident: Location:

Vehicle - vs. - Vehicle major-injury Traffic Collision: Ben Maddox Way at Goshen Ave

Involved Parties:

Jerardo Cortes (23yoa. Visalia) – Driving a 2015 Chevy Camaro (V-1) – solo occupant: no injuries Rosa Menera (28yoa. Fresno) – Driving a 2014 Jeep Patriot (V-2): major injuries

Marco Menera (27yoa. Fresno) front passenger in V-2: head trauma

Female Juvenile (3yoa.) rear passenger in V-2: major injuries

Details:

On the listed date and time, Visalia Police Department Patrol Officers responded to a Traffic Collision involving 2 vehicles. Officers responded and found the driver of the Chevy Camaro had rear ended a Jeep Patriot in the intersection. All three occupants of V-2 suffered significant injuries and were transported to a local hospital for treatment. Cortes was medically cleared and booked into jail for DUI with injuries. Speed and alcohol are factors being considered in the cause of the collision. The Visalia Police Motors Unit is still investigating.

Investigating Officers: Supervisor:

Visalia PD Traffic Unit:

Sgt. Mark Feller

