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NEWS RELEASE
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VPD Report Number: 20-084092

Date/Time Occurred: October 2, 2020.

Type of Incident: Search Warrants/Arrest for: Narcotics and Weapon Charges

Location: 3700 blk N Fairway, 2000 blk. N. Divisadero

and 2100 blk N. Divisadero

Name of Business (if applicable):

N/A

Suspect:	Age:	Arrested:
1. Xiaohong Lee	30	Yes
2. Tanzheng Deng	27	Yes

Details: Within the past month the Visalia Police Department Narcotics Unit began checking into possible indoor illegal marijuana grows at several residences in the City of Visalia.

On October 2, 2020, in the afternoon and into the evening, the Visalia Police Department Narcotics Unit and with the assistance of the Special Enforcement Unit (SEU) and Patrol Officers, served Search Warrants at three residences in the city. One of the residences was in the 3700 blk N Fairway and the other two were in the 2000 and 2100 blk N. Divisadero. As a result of the search a handgun, ammunition, a large amount of U.S. currency, 3,674 marijuana plants with a total weight of 700 pounds and 82 grow lights/convertor combos were seized. Xiaohong Lee and Tanzheng Deng were arrested for Marijuana Cultivation, Conspiracy and for possession of Narcotics While Armed. They were booked at the Tulare County Pre-trial Facility without incident. Investigation on-going.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Narcotics Unit, SEU & Patrol **Supervisor:** Sgt. Paul Esquibel S131