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\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\*
March 27, 2021

VPD Report Number: 21-025354

**Type of Incident:** Felon in Possession of a Firearm,

Felon in Possession of Ammo,

Resisting/Delaying/Obstructing an Officer

**Date/Time Occurred:** 3-27-21 / 0008 hours

Location: 1900 block of W. Buena Vista Ave.

Name of Business (if applicable):

N/A

Suspect: Age: Arrested:

1. Andre Baiza 36 Yes

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**Details:** On 3-27-21 at approximately 0008 hours, officers in the Special Enforcement Unit observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed in the area of Giddings and Buena Vista. The vehicle went eastbound on Buena Vista from Giddings and began driving eastbound in the westbound lane of Buena Vista. Officers initiated a traffic stop and the vehicle came to a stop in front of a residence in the 1900 block of W. Buena Vista. The solo occupant and driver Suspect Andre Baiza ran from the vehicle. Suspect Baiza ran into a residence and officers pursued after him. Suspect Baiza was contacted inside the residence and taken into custody. Officers located a loaded firearm under a mattress that was next to Suspect Baiza. Suspect Baiza was arrested for felon in possession of a firearm, felon in possession of ammo, and resisting/obstructing/delaying an officer. Suspect Baiza was later booked into the Tulare County Pre-Trial Facility.

**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** Special Enforcement Unit Supervisor: Sgt. A. Alvarez

