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Three Arrested in Stolen Vehicle with Gun and Fentanyl in Visalia

Around 8:23 a.m. this morning, Visalia Police Detectives assigned to the Tulare County Regional Auto Theft Task Force (T-RATT) approached a stolen vehicle parked on Kent Street, just south of Goshen Avenue. Inside, they found three people sleeping.

One of the suspects, 34-year-old Brian Harris, was sitting on a loaded, stolen firearm. He took off running, but officers were able to detain him after a foot pursuit. The other two individuals — the driver, 34-year-old Latoya Chappelle, and the rear passenger, 18-year-old Rashod Neal — were taken into custody at the vehicle. Officers discovered fentanyl both inside the car and in Harris's possession.

All three suspects will be booked for possession of a stolen vehicle, firearm-related offenses, and narcotics violations.

Harris, who is currently on parole for first degree robbery (Penal Code 212.5), will also be booked for resisting arrest, a felony warrant for robbery (PC 211), a misdemeanor warrant for resisting or delaying a peace officer (PC 148), and a parole hold (PC 3056).

Chappelle faces additional charges for two felony warrants related to false impersonation (PC 529) and one misdemeanor warrant for shoplifting (PC 459.5).

