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### **HAPPENING OVERNIGHT: Robbery at Visalia Mall Yogurtland Leads to Arrest of Teen and Brother**

At approximately 11:19 p.m. last night, Visalia Police officers responded to a report of a robbery in progress at Yogurtland, located in the Visalia Mall. Two male suspects were reportedly inside the store taking cash from the register. One of the suspects was seen fleeing the area in a vehicle.

When officers arrived, they quickly located the vehicle and detained the driver, identified as 19-year-old Arturo Calderon. While searching the surrounding area, officers found a 16-year-old male near Harbor Freight. He tried to run away but was caught shortly after. Officers recovered \$985 in cash from the juvenile, which was returned to the business.

The investigation revealed that the 16-year-old took the money from the register while reaching into his waistband, causing employees to believe he might be armed. Officers learned that Arturo, the teen's older brother, had tried to stop the robbery and was not involved in the theft. However, he was arrested and cited for DUI.

The 16-year-old suspect was arrested and booked for robbery (211 PC) and resisting arrest (148 PC).

