



Visalia Police Department

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Businesses Cited:

Duyst 76 Gas Station

515 S. Lovers Lane

Haydens Liquor

531 S. Lovers Lane

Details:

On 1-7-2011, between 1600-2100 hours, members of the Visalia Police Department and the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control conducted an underage minor decoy operation at 11 off-sale ABC establishments in the City of Visalia. The underage decoy entered into the off-sale establishments and attempted to illegally purchase alcoholic beverages. Employees from the above listed businesses were cited for selling alcoholic beverages to a minor.

The Visalia Police Department will be conducting additional minor decoy operations in the future. The goal of the operations is to educate retailers and reduce a minor's access to alcohol. Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

If you have any questions, contact Sergeant Gary Williams at 713-4216.

Submitted by Sgt. B. Abbott