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The following information is based on a preliminary, ongoing investigation which continues to evolve as investigators interview witnesses, review physical and electronic records if available, and analyze forensic evidence. The Department's understanding of the facts and circumstances may change as additional evidence is collected and analyzed

A Tulare man was arrested yesterday for possession of a stolen firearm. Police were dispatched to the area of Alpine and "F" Street regarding a subject who was possibly in possession of a gun. Shortly after an officer arrived and contacted a group, one of which ran from the officer.

The second officer was able to find the suspect running in a nearby alleyway. 19 year old Edgar Contreras, of Tulare, was contacted and was holding a firearm in his hand. Officers ordered Contreras to stop and drop the gun, but he refused and turned and walked away from the officer.

Two other officers arrived at the opposite end of the alleyway and Contreras finally dropped the gun and was taken into custody. The gun was reported stolen out of Del Ray, California. Contreras was also found in possession of suspected cocaine and was charge with a gang enhancement. Contreras was booked at the Tulare County Sheriff's Department Pre-Trial Facility.



Edgar Contreras, 19 of Tulare



Anyone with additional information regarding this incident is urged to call the Tulare Police Department at any of the following numbers:

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