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**"False Report of an Emergency Leads to Arrest"**

On January 25, 2014, at approximately 4:22 pm, Coalinga Police Communications received a 9-1-1 emergency telephone call from a resident in the 300 block of North Third Street regarding an in progress hostage situation in a neighboring home.

The reporting party had been contacted by a neighbor who was identified as Coalinga resident Jesus Guerrero. Guerrero told the neighbor that his wife was being held hostage in the couple's home by three males who were armed with knives.

Numerous uniformed police officers and detectives responded to the scene, and a perimeter was established.

When interviewed by police, Guerrero gave the same account of three male who had kidnapped his wife and were holding her hostage in the couples Coalinga home.

Further investigation led to the discovery that the home Guerrero and his wife reside in was unoccupied. Police also learned that Guerrero and his wife were separated and she vacated the couple's home a few days prior. She was contacted by police and was found to be safe, and in the company of family in a neighboring city. She confirmed that no abduction had occurred.

During the interview with police, Guerrero displayed objective symptoms of being under the influence of a controlled substance. He also admitted to ingesting methamphetamines hours earlier.

Guerrero was taken into custody without incident for falsely reporting a crime to a peace officer, for being under the influence of a controlled substance and for an outstanding no bail arrest warrant issued in Fresno County. Guerrero was processed at the Coalinga Police Department and booked into the Fresno County Jail.

The Coalinga Police Department would like to remind the public that reporting a false crime to police can result in your arrest and prosecution.

"All suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law"



