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# PRESS RELEASE

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## 2 arrests made in Patterson Shooting

**Patterson, CA** – Stanislaus County Sheriff Department Investigations Division made 2 arrests regarding the Patterson shooting that occurred on March 14, 2011 in the 1400 block of Carly Creek in Patterson, Ca. The victim of the shooting underwent surgery and is currently in critical condition. During the investigation detectives removed over 700 Marijuana plants from the victims residence. Ignacio Michael Lopez, age 21, and Jonathan Gilbert McKnight, Age 23, were arrested on March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011 for their involvement in the shooting. Both are documented Norteno criminal street gang members. Lopez was booked in the Stanislaus County jail for attempted homicide, active participation in criminal street gang, committing a crime for the benefit of a criminal street gang, and conspiracy to commit a felony while participating in a criminal street gang. McKnight was booked for attempted homicide, active participation in criminal street gang, committing a crime for the benefit of a criminal street gang, conspiracy to commit a felony while participating in a criminal street gang, and committing a crime while out on bail. McKnight was out on bail for an arrest on September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010 for assault with a deadly weapon that occurred in Patterson. Detectives are currently searching for a third suspect who has been identified.

No further information is being released at this time do to it being an active investigation.

Anyone with information in regards to this shooting is encouraged to call Stanislaus County Sheriff's Detective Frank Soria at (209)525-7080.

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