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MEDIA RELATIONS



**NEWS RELEASE
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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Man Arrested for Attempting to Run Over Sheriff's Deputy

MODESTO, CA- Stanislaus County Sheriff's Deputies arrested 25-year-old Bryan SMITH of Modesto this afternoon after he attempted to run over a sheriff's deputy. The incident occurred in the 600 block of South 7th Street with is know for high drug activity.

The incident began about 2:00 PM when two deputies were conducting proactive foot patrol at a mobile home park in the 600 block of South 7th Street in Modesto. The deputies noticed a male subject sitting in a car and was possibly involved in some type of drug activity. As the deputies approached the car, the driver, Bryan SMITH, put the car into drive and accelerated towards one of the deputy's. The other deputy fired one gunshot towards SMITH's car fearing for his partner's safety. The gunshot hit the car, but did not injure SMITH, who continued to drive away. Both deputies got into their patrol cars and pursued the suspect. SMITH drove for a short distance and stopped his car at the intersection of 7th Street and Crows Landing Road where deputies took him into custody. Officers from the Modesto Police Department and California Highway Patrol also responded and assisted Sheriff's deputies. SMITH is being charged with assault with a deadly weapon on a peace officer and probation violation and will be booked into the Stanislaus County Jail.

Anyone with information about this case is encouraged to contact Detective Darwin Hatfield at (209) 525-7100. Callers can also leave an anonymous tip by calling Crime Stoppers at (209) 521-4636 and be eligible for a cash reward.

For information regarding this press release please contact Deputy Royjindar Singh (209) 652-6597.