



**Fresno County Sheriff's Department**  
Margaret Mims, Sheriff  
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**MEDIA ADVISORY: Escaped Inmate Captured**

Fresno County Sheriff Margaret Mims today announced the arrest of a jail inmate who fled a work detail yesterday.

33 year old Michael Jermaine Simon of Fresno had been an inmate at the Fresno County Jail since July 11<sup>th</sup>. He was in custody on narcotics charges.

On July 25<sup>th</sup> at approximately 10:45 am, Simon was part of an inmate work detail picking up trash in the area of Kearney Park.

During this time, Simon removed his safety vest and was last seen running northbound on Bryan Ave from Kearney Blvd. A broadcast was immediately put out to patrol deputies.

Approximately 30 minutes later, deputies observed Simon walking in the area of Belmont & Hughes. He was taken into custody with out incident.

Simon initially gave deputies a false name. However, he gave them his correct name when he couldn't explain why he was wearing a "Fresno County Jail" jumpsuit.

Simon was then transported back to the Fresno County Jail where he was booked on escape charges.

**\*\*\*No photo available\*\***