



**Fresno County Sheriff's Office**  
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**News Release**

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**MEDIA ADVISORY: 16 Year Old Orange Cove Juvenile  
Arrested In Stabbing Incident**

Fresno County Sheriff Margaret Mims today announced the arrest of a 16 year old juvenile in connection with the stabbing of an Orange Cove man.

The incident occurred on December 29<sup>th</sup> at approximately 10:00 pm at a residence located in the 700 block of Eighth St. in the city of Orange Cove.

During a birthday party at the residence, several uninvited guest arrived and started causing problems with partygoers. When the victim, a friend of the host asked the uninvited subjects to leave, they refused and started beating him. During the assault, a 16 year old suspect produced a knife and stabbed the victim numerous times in the chest. All of the suspects then ran from the residence.

When the deputies arrived, they found the 23 year old victim inside the residence bleeding badly from his wounds. Deputies performed First Aid on the victim who was in and out of consciousness until EMS personnel arrived and took over. Due to his condition, the victim had to be airlifted to Community Regional Medical Center for treatment.

At the same time, assisting deputies located the 16 year old suspect at a residence located in the 500 block of Center St. in Orange Cove. He was arrested on charges of assault with a deadly weapon and participating in a criminal street gang. The juvenile was later transported to the Fresno County Juvenile Justice facility where he was booked.