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## PRESS RELEASE

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### PROWLER ARREST

*Case #09-63832*

On Thursday, September 24, 2009, at 1:40 a.m., the Redding Police Department received a 911 call of a prowler at the Hacienda West apartments on Churn Creek Road. At 1:49 a.m., as officers were at the complex checking for the suspect, the Police Department received a new 911 call from another resident. Deena Helberg, 35 years, reported a man had broken into her apartment. She reported the man had forced his way through a sliding screen door. Her daughter, Brianna, 12 years, was also present.

Officers immediately went to Helberg's apartment and found James Jordan Deaton, 34 years of Redding, inside the apartment. Deaton would not comply with the officers' commands and attempted to run past them. The officers fired a Taser at Deaton to stop him. Deaton was struck by the Taser and fell onto a coffee table, breaking it. The officers were then able to arrest Deaton. They determined he was under the influence of a controlled substance.

Neither Deena or Brianna Helberg were injured. Deaton was booked at the Shasta County jail for prowling, forcible entry trespassing, being under the influence of a controlled substance, and resisting arrest.

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