



CHICO POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

530-897-4900

TYPE OF INCIDENT: Suspicious circumstance at Chico Mall

LOCATION OF INCIDENT: Chico Mall 1950 E. 20th St, Chico Ca

DATE/TIME OCCURRED: 7/31/2016 1200-1300 hrs

INCIDENT CASE NUMBER: 16-5828

NARRATIVE:

On Tuesday, 8/2/16 a woman contacted Chico PD to report a suspicious circumstance at the Chico Mall which had taken place on Sunday, 7/31/16. The reporting party advised that her 4 year old child had been near the food court area when she was approached by another child, approximately age 6. The unknown child reportedly asked the 4 year old to come with her because she wanted to show her something outside the mall. The 4 year old started to go with the unknown 6 year old but stopped when called back by her parent.

Police have investigated this report. We have found no indication that this was criminal or sinister in nature and nothing to indicate that this was an attempted abduction. There have been no confirmed reports of similar incidents at the Chico Mall and we have not been made aware of any similar incidents in the area.

Police appreciate the concerns about the safety of children and encourage parents to discuss personal safety with their families.

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Supervisor:

Watch Commander:

Prepared By: Lt. Rob Merrifield L6

Date/Time: 8/4/16 1430 hrs