

# Oakdale Police News Release



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## Suspected Arson Leads to Evacuation of Oakdale Kmart

### NEWS RELEASE

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**Oakdale, CA** – Oakdale Police and Stanislaus Regional Fire Investigation Unit investigate fires inside Oakdale Kmart as suspected arson.

On August 21, 2018 at 7:48 p.m. Oakdale Police and Stanislaus Consolidated Fire first responders responded to a report of smoke inside the Kmart business located at 175 S. Maag Avenue. The store was evacuated and firefighters quickly extinguished multiple small fires. One employee reported symptoms related to smoke inhalation and was checked out by medical personnel at the scene. There were no other reported injuries.

Investigators with the Oakdale Police Department and the Stanislaus Regional Fire Investigation Unit are conducting a joint investigation into the incident.

Citizens with any information on this crime are encouraged to call Crime Stoppers at 209-521-4636 or contact Detective Don Stilwell at 209-847-2231. Callers to Crime Stoppers can remain anonymous and may be eligible for a cash reward. In addition, citizens can email [info@stanfiu.org](mailto:info@stanfiu.org) to submit information to the Stanislaus Regional Fire Investigation Unit.

