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PRESS RELEASE

Case #50-152500219

Bethany Resident Subdues Burglar

September 7, 2015—Washington County Deputies arrested a man who burglarized a home while the resident was present. The man was subdued by the resident until deputies arrived. He was arrested and charged with multiple crimes.



On September 7, 2015, at about 6:20 a.m., Sheriff's Deputies were called to a residence in the 4400 block of NW Chanticleer Drive in Bethany concerning a burglary. The 34 year-old resident called Sheriff's Deputies and reported an unknown man came through an open a window after prying the screen off. The intruder was trying to leave but the resident kept him inside.

Sheriff's Deputies converged on the area to capture the suspect. The resident reported that the man was struggling with him as he was trying to leave with the resident's car keys. The resident was able to keep the man sitting on the couch man until deputies arrived.

Deputies quickly entered the residence and detained the man. He was identified as Luis Marquez-Ventura, 19, from the Bethany area. Mr. Marquez-Ventura was reported to be highly intoxicated.

Deputies found numerous items on Mr. Marquez-Ventura's person that appeared to be stolen from several vehicles. They found sunglasses, debit cards and other items with several different names on them. Deputies searched the area and discovered four vehicles that had been broken into where the owner's information matched up with the found items.

Sheriff's Deputies found Mr. Marquez-Ventura had been stacking items by the door before being discovered by the resident. He had a computer and bags of other items staged by the door along with car keys in his hand. The keys were from the resident's car.

Sheriff's Deputies were able to return all of the stolen property to the rightful owners.

Luis Marquez-Ventura was lodged in the Washington County Jail. He was charged with First Degree Burglary, Third Degree Robbery, First Degree Theft and Unlawful Entry into a Motor Vehicle. He is held on \$50,000 bail. Additional charges for violating his parole are forthcoming.