

MONTEREY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Sexual Assault

On Sunday, November 14, 2021, at approximately 3:15 a.m., Monterey Police Department Officers were dispatched to the area of Del Monte and Alvarado in reference to an open line, 9-1-1 call. The phone's technology showed the location in the area and the dispatcher could hear a female whispering "help me." A Monterey officer arrived in the area and found a male suspect sexually assaulting a female in a parked vehicle. The suspect who was identified as, Geovany Mendoza Ruiz, 24, of Seaside was removed from the vehicle and detained.

The investigation revealed Mendoza Ruiz approached the female at her vehicle, verbally threatened her and forced his way into her vehicle where he assaulted her. She was able to dial 9-1-1 on her phone and left the line open so Officers could find her.

Geovany Mendoza Ruiz was arrested on the following charges: California Penal Code (PC) 261(a)(2) – Rape by Force or Fear, 289(a)(1) PC – Sexual Penetration by Force or Fear, 236 PC – False Imprisonment, and 422 (a) PC – Criminal Threats.

Mendoza Ruiz was transported to and booked in the Monterey County Jail. A bail enhancement was requested and bail was set at \$250,000.

Anyone with information is asked to call Detective Kim Zook at (831) 646-3810 or to remain anonymous, call (831) 646-3840.

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