

## MONTEREY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## **Firearm and Narcotics Arrest**

On September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at approximately 12:35 a.m., Monterey Police Officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for a vehicle code violation at Fremont and Camino Aguajito. Upon contacting the driver, identified as Rodrigo Marquez 41 years old, of Freedom, officers learned Marquez was not in possession of a valid driver's license and was on Post Release Community Supervision for a prior conviction of possession of narcotics for sale. Part of Marquez' release terms included submitting to search of his vehicle and person by law enforcement.

Officers searched Marquez's vehicle and located a methamphetamine pipe, a digital scale, plastic bags, approximately 24.59 grams of methamphetamine, and a loaded Bersa Thunder .380 handgun.

Marquez was placed under arrest for 29800(a)(1) PC – felon in possession of a firearm, 25850(c)(6) PC – possession of a firearm while not the registered owner, 25400(a)(1) PC – possession of a concealed firearm inside of a vehicle, 11370.1(a) PC – possession of loaded/operable firearm while in possession of a controlled substance, 30305(a)(1) PC – felon in possession of firearm ammunition, 11364(a) H&S – possession of drug paraphernalia, 11377(a) H&S – possession of methamphetamine, 11378 H&S – possession of a controlled

substance for sale, and 11379(a) – transportation of a controlled substance for the purpose of sales. Marquez was booked into the Monterey County Jail with bail set at \$45,000.



Recovered handgun

Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact the Monterey Police Department at (831) 646-3830. Or to remain anonymous call (831) 646-3840.

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