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**NEWS
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01/31/2024

Officer Arrested for Theft

Date: 12/13/2023
Location: 6600 block of Westfield
Arrested: Ruben Morales, 25-year-old, El Paso TX Resident
Offense: Theft O/\$2500 U/\$30,000
Bond: \$5,000
Judge: Aun

El Paso, Texas – January 31, 2024 - The El Paso Police Department is giving notice of the arrest of Ofc. Ruben Morales, a 2-year-veteran of the department. Following an internal investigation, Ruben Morales has been implicated in a theft that stemmed from an incident that occurred on December 13th, 2023. Morales responded to a hit and run at the 6600 block of Westfield. The internal investigation revealed U.S. currency was missing from a locked glove box and small bag that was left inside of the vehicle. The owner of the property reported the missing funds to authorities prompting further investigation into the matter. The termination process has begun for Ruben Morales and the El Paso Police Department reaffirms its commitment to upholding the highest standards of integrity and accountability within its ranks. Any actions inconsistent with these standards will be thoroughly investigated and addressed accordingly.

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