

# HARLINGEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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HONOR ◊ COURAGE ◊ INTEGRITY



**Derrick James Hazelwood**  
Age 31  
Harlingen Resident

At approximately 2:20pm on January 30, 2016, a Uniformed Harlingen Police officer made contact with an adult on the 400 block of North "O" Street in reference to a stolen vehicle. The male subject reported that he had parked a Silver 2015 Nissan Sentra (owned by Charlie Clark Nissan) running alongside the road while he assisted another person loading furniture into a pick-up. Suspect got into the Nissan valued at \$23,000.00 and drove off at a high rate of speed. The reporting Officer provided suspect description which matched Derrick Hazelwood who had been released from HPD Jail the same morning.

Minutes later, members of the Texas Department of Public Safety and the Hidalgo's Sheriff's Office were engaged in a pursuit with the stolen Nissan traveling Westbound on Expressway 83. The male suspect bailed out of the vehicle in the San Juan area, and managed to evade capture. The Nissan was recovered.

Through the course of the Investigation Detectives were able to positively identify the suspect as Derrick James Hazelwood who was arrested on February 10, 2016.

*The Harlingen Police Department reminds citizens to report any suspicious activity to their local police department. In Harlingen, you can contact us for Emergencies at (911) or the Police Communications Center at (956)216-5940, the H.P.D. Front Desk Supervisor at (956)216-5401, or the Harlingen Area Crime Stoppers at (956)425-TIPS (8477). **Note \*** Arrestees are innocent until proven guilty in a Court of Law...*

## MAGISTRATION:

OFFENSE	LEVEL	BAIL/BOND
Theft of Motor Vehicle	3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree Felony	\$40,000.00



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