

# HARLINGEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

**PRESS RELEASE**  
**2015-0644**

HONOR ◆ COURAGE ◆ INTEGRITY



**Juan Francisco Ruiz**  
**Age 18**  
**Brownsville Resident**

On March 27, 2015, a Uniformed Harlingen Police Officer was dispatched to the Express Men's Store (2020 W. Expressway 83) in reference to a theft which had occurred at around 8:25pm. Contact was made with an employee (reporting person). The employee advised that a male subject entered the store and selected approximately 80 Polo shirts. The male subject then placed the shirts into a plastic bag, covers his face with the bag, and then quickly exits the store without paying for the items. The employee estimated that \$3,192.00 in merchandise was stolen.

During the Investigation, Detectives made contact with a male subject (Juan Francisco Ruiz) who was in custody in Mercedes, Texas on unrelated felony theft charges. The Detectives interviewed Ruiz, and were able to link Ruiz to the Theft at the Express Men's store. Ruiz was placed under arrest and transported to the Harlingen City Jail for processing.

*The Harlingen Police Department encourages the community to report any and all suspicious activity. The Harlingen Police Department strives to create partnerships and work with the community to prevent crime and hold those who commit crimes accountable for their actions. The following telephone numbers may be utilized to report suspicious and / or criminal activity; Emergency number (911), 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).*

## **MAGISTRATION:**

**Theft / State Jail Felony** **Bond \$20,000.00**  
**Engaging in Organized Criminal Activity / 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Felony** **Bond \$20,000.00**

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