

HARLINGEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE
2015-0647



HONOR ◆ COURAGE ◆ INTEGRITY



Orlando Ricardo Pickett
Age
Harlingen Resident

At approximately 1:13pm on June 5, 2015, a Uniformed Harlingen Police Officer, assigned to the Downtown Business District, was conducting routine business checks when he was advised of a male subject harassing people in the area. The Officer located the subject, with whom he was familiar, near 2nd Street & E. Jackson Avenue. As the Officer approached, the male subject turned and attacked the Officer. The male subject pushed the Officer up against a steel motorized lift, causing the Officer's head to strike the lift, causing pain and a laceration. The subject then pushed the Officer down on the sidewalk, striking the Officer's head against the concrete. The subject then attempted to flee, but was detained by back-up Officers arriving on scene. The subject was taken into custody and transported to the City Jail for processing. The Officer was transported to the Hospital by EMS for treatment. The investigation into this incident continues. The male suspect (identified as **Orlando Ricardo Pickett**) is currently incarcerated in the City Jail pending formal charges and arraignment.

The Officer sustained a small laceration to the back of his head and minor scratches about his body. The injuries did not appear life threatening at the time of transport. He is currently receiving treatment at the Valley Baptist Medical Center.

While incarcerated in cell #4 of the City Jail, Pickett damaged / destroyed the cell telephone. Damage was estimated at \$300.00.

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:

Aggravated Assault Against Public Servant / 1st Degree Felony Bond \$100,000.00
Criminal Mischief / Class B Misdemeanor Bond \$ 2,000.00

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