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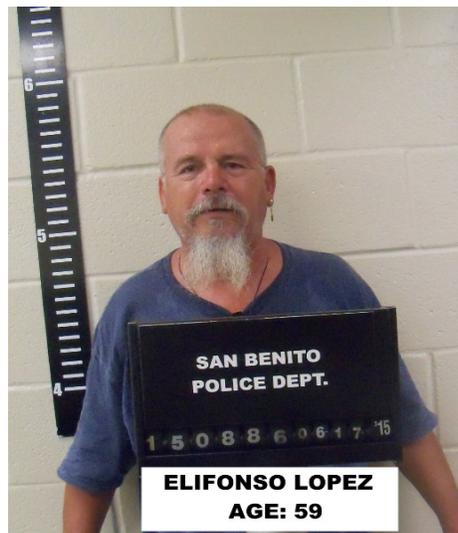
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PRESS RELEASE

AGGRAVATED ROBBERY

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On Wednesday June 17th, 2015, at 9:28 p.m., San Benito Police responded to the intersection of Milam and Stenger Streets in reference to a verbal altercation between two male subjects. When the Officers arrived they observed two male subjects in a parking lot near that intersection, and one of the subjects, who was later identified as 59 year old Elifonso Lopez out of San Benito, saw the police units arriving, began to walk away from location towards a nearby alleyway. The subject that remained at the scene, who was later identified as the victim, advised the Officers that the subject walking away was armed with a knife. One of the officers ordered Elifonso Lopez to stop but the subject continued walking, and entered the alley way where he tossed a silver knife later recovered by the Officers. The 33 year old male victim who was accompanied by his 10 year old daughter stated that they were walking home from the store when all of a sudden Elifonso Lopez approached them asking them for money. The victim advised Elifonso Lopez that he did not have any money, and at that point the suspect produced a knife while demanding the victim's money. According to the victim he did not know his assailant, and he and his daughter did not sustain any physical injuries during the incident. Elifonso Lopez was arrested and taken to City Jail where he was booked on charges of Aggravated Robbery (1st degree Felony). Suspect was arraigned by Municipal Judge David Garza who set bond at \$30,000.

All people are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of Law