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PRESS RELEASE



POSSESSION OF COCAINE / ABANDONING OR ENDANGERING A CHILD

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On Monday November 3rd, 2014, at 6:12 pm San Benito Police Officers responded to a residence located on the 400 Block of Commerce Street in reference to a welfare concern involving 3 small children inside the residence being neglected. When the Police Officers arrived a male subject walked out the door wearing blue latex gloves, and had blood in his shirt. The subject was identified as 19 year old Jesus Garcia out of San Benito, and who stated that he had cut himself while working out. The Officers not knowing the conditions of the children inside momentarily detained the subject, and upon entering the house they detected a strong odor of urine as well as several small baggies on top of a couch that contained a white powdery substance (10.5 grams) that later tested positive for cocaine. The Police Officers located a total of 3 small children ages ranging from 1 to 3 years old locked in a room without adult supervision, and wearing soiled diapers. The suspect was then placed under arrest for possession of controlled substance, abandoning or endangering a child (3 counts) as well as drug paraphernalia, and taken to City Jail where he was later arraigned by Municipal Judge Ben Yudesis who set bonds totaling \$225,000. Child Protective Services were notified and launched an investigation into the incident. Children were released to their mother.

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