



# **SAN BENITO POLICE**

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA**

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On Saturday October 14, 2012, at 12:36 AM. San Benito Police responded to the Stripes Store located on the Intersection of Business 77 and Sam Houston Blvd. in reference to a couple smoking marijuana outside the store. Upon arrival the Police Officers made contact with 22 year old Miguel Tapia and 22 year old Beatriz Garcia both out of San Benito. The Police Officers noticed signs of impairment on Miguel Tapia, and he advised the Police Officers that he had smoked some marijuana earlier. The Officers noticed a clear plastic bag that contained a green leafy substance (marijuana) in the center console of the 2008 Silver Ford Sedan that they were traveling in. The contraband was seized, and both Miguel Tapia and Beatriz Garcia denied ownership of the marijuana. The Officers then placed Miguel Tapia and Beatriz Garcia under arrest for possession of marijuana, and were transported to City Jail. Miguel Tapia was also charged with Public Intoxication, and also had several outstanding traffic warrants from Municipal Court totaling \$1,268.80. Miguel Tapia and Beatriz Garcia were arraigned by Municipal Judge David Garza who set bond at \$1,000 Dollars each. Miguel Tapia was later transported to the Cameron County Jail.

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