



# **SAN BENITO POLICE**

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **UNLAWFUL RESTRAINT (FV) / THEFT ENHANCED**

**TUESDAY JUNE 25, 2013**



On Monday June 24, 2013, at 5:30 pm. San Benito Police responded to the Auto Zone located on the 900 block of North Sam Houston in reference to a theft that had just occurred. When the Officers arrived they made contact with the employees who advised that they had observed a male subject conceal merchandise, and later exiting the store without paying for it. The employees stated that they made contact with the male subject behind the store who then proceeded to hand them a set of tools valued at \$59, and then fled east on foot. Moments later a Police Officer located the subject hiding by a nearby residence, and was taken to the store where he was positively identified as the subject who had taken the merchandise. The subject was identified as Joe Lopez out of San Benito who was then placed under arrest for theft. A check on the subject's criminal history revealed multiple arrests and convictions for theft enhancing the offense to a State Jail Felony. Joe Lopez was then taken to City Jail where he was arraigned by Municipal Judge Ben Yudesis who set bond at \$10,000

On Monday June 24, 2013, at 11:55 pm. San Benito Police responded to an apartment complex located on the 2200 block of West Business 77 in reference to a domestic disturbance between husband and wife. When the Officers arrived they could hear a female asking for help, and asking to be let go. The Police Officers managed to open the door, and made contact with a 32 year old female who was upset and crying. The Officers also made contact with 35 year old Ruben Corona out of San Benito who was also inside the apartment who became combative towards the officers, and was necessary to physically restraint the subject. The investigation revealed that the male subject had apparently pushed the female and thrown a cell phone at her as well as prevented her from exiting the apartment to reach for help. Ruben Corona was taken to City Jail where he continued to be combative, and refused to be processed. It should be noted that the suspect displayed signs of being highly intoxicated with alcoholic beverages. Ruben Corona was arraigned on charges of continuous family violence (due to a previous conviction), unlawful restraint, and resisting arrest by Municipal Judge Ben Yudesis who set bonds totaling \$25,000. Ruben Corona was also served with an emergency protective order.