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**NEWS
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11/24/2025

Arrest Made Following Social Media Video of Dog Abuse

Date: 11/10/2025

Arrested #1: 36-year-old Gilberto Santos

Charge: Cruelty to Non-Livestock Animal (Torture)

Judge: Sullivan **Bond:** \$10,000

EL PASO, Texas— The El Paso Police Department's Animal Cruelty Investigations Unit initiated an investigation after a social media post showed a man punching and throwing a dog to the ground. Through an anonymous tip, investigators were able to identify the individual as Gilberto Santos. On November 22, 2025, officers took Santos into custody, and he was booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility on charges related to animal cruelty.

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