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**NEWS
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Police Arrest Two in Christmas Day Assault Involving Handgun

Date: 12/25/2025 **Time:** 6:30 AM

Location: 13000 block of Alfredo Apodaca Dr

Victim: 27-year-old female resident of El Paso, TX

Arrested #1: 32-year-old Raquel Maria Cazares, resident of East El Paso, TX

Charge: Assault Causing Bodily Injury

Arrested #2: 32-year-old Joshua Aaron Theocharides, resident of East El Paso, TX

Victim #1: 27-year-old female resident of El Paso, TX

Victim #2: 23-year-old female resident of El Paso, TX

Victim #3: 25-year-old female resident of El Paso, TX

Charge #1: Aggravated Assault w/Deadly Weapon

Charge #2: Aggravated Assault w/Deadly Weapon

Charge #3: Aggravated Assault w/Deadly Weapon

EL PASO, Texas— On December 25, 2025, El Paso Police officers responded to an assault in progress at a residence in the 13000 block of Alfredo Apodaca Drive.

The preliminary investigation determined that the suspects, identified as Raquel Cazares and Joshua Theocharides, arrived at the residence and initiated an altercation with the victims outside the home. During the incident, Cazares assaulted one of the victims. Theocharides produced a handgun, pointed it at the victims, struck them with the weapon, and then fled the scene.

Investigators were able to identify both suspects and obtained arrest warrants. On January 3, 2026, Cazares and Theocharides were arrested and booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility.



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