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**NEWS
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03/30/2026

Man Arrested for Aggravated Assault

Date: 03-28-2026 **Time:** 03:44 AM

Location: 700 N. Ochoa

Victim: 47-year-old Salome J Lares (General Delivery)

Arrested: 33-year-old David Garcia, (General Delivery)

Charge #1: Aggravated Assault causes serious bodily injury

Judge: J. Joseph

Bond: \$500,000.00

EL PASO, Texas— On 03-28-2026, Police were called out to the 700 block of N. Ochoa regarding a subject who had been assaulted. The Crimes Against Persons Unit was called out to take over the investigation. The preliminary information in the investigation is that the El Paso Fire Department had responded to a structure fire, and during that time, the victim was located outside the residence and appeared to have sustained injuries consistent with being assaulted. Lares was transported to a burn center in Lubbock and was last listed in critical condition. Through the investigation, investigators identified David Garcia as the individual responsible for the assault. He was arrested and booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility and charged with Aggravated Assault.

The El Paso Fire Department's Fire Marshals office continues its investigation into the cause of the structure fire.

Investigators are asking the public if anyone with information regarding this assault to contact the police at the non-emergency number of 915-832-4400 or to remain anonymous, contact Crime Stoppers of El Paso at 915-566-8477



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