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## **VEHICLE BREAK-IN INVESTIGATION LEADS TO GUNS & DRUGS**

**Riverside, CA** – On Friday March 17, 2017 at about noon, Riverside Police Detectives were conducting follow-up on a vehicle burglary when they found a vehicle at a residence in the 5500 block of Dewey Avenue that matched the suspect vehicle. With help from the air unit, Detectives saw a suspicious vehicle leave and marked patrol cars attempted to stop it. This turned into a vehicle pursuit, during which the occupant threw items from the car. The car eventually stopped and 58-year-old Alex Grajeda was arrested for felony evading and possession of narcotics for sales.

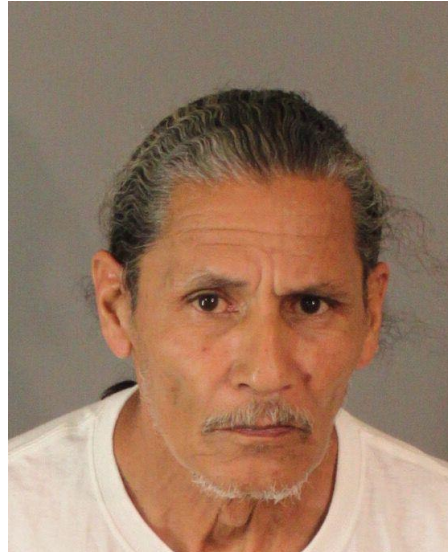
Detectives and members of the Post-Release Accountability Compliance (PAC) Team made contact at the house, developed cause, and wrote a search warrant. Police personnel searched the residence and recovered an assault rifle, handgun, heroin, methamphetamine, and cash. 47-year-old Manuel Quiroz was arrested for a number of felony charges including possessing narcotics for sales, being an ex-felon in possession of a firearm, and possession of an illegal assault weapon.

Persons with information on this case can contact Detective Andy Cook at (951) 353 – 7953 or [acook@riversideca.gov](mailto:acook@riversideca.gov) or Detective Aurelio Melendrez at (951) 353 – 7119 or [amelendrez@riversideca.gov](mailto:amelendrez@riversideca.gov). Persons wishing to remain anonymous can email [RPDTips@RiversideCA.gov](mailto:RPDTips@RiversideCA.gov) or call 1-800-78-Crime.





Manuel Quiroz



Alex Grajeda

