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Hidalgo County Employee Arrested for Possession of Narcotics

On Tuesday March 11th, 2014 at approximately 1650 hours the San Juan Police Department special investigative unit assisted by Constables from Hidalgo County Precinct #2 arrested a male subject identified as CHRISTIAN LEE SANCHEZ 10-13-90 at North San Juan Park located at 509 East Nolana.

Information was given regarding SANCHEZ possibly selling drugs while being assigned to the park and during working hours. Surveillance was established and investigators observed what appeared to be an exchange between SANCHEZ and an unidentified male subject. SANCHEZ was approached by investigators; SANCHEZ attempted to dispose of a small plastic container that SANCHEZ removed from within his vehicle. The plastic container contained a green leafy substance with a very strong pungent odor. The substance was discovered to be Hydroponic marijuana after a field test was performed on the suspected narcotic.

SANCHEZ was placed under arrest for possession of marijuana in a drug free zone; a search of SANCHEZ vehicle also yielded a small scale and multiple small blue Ziploc pouches. SANCHEZ' phone searched incident to arrest, the search yielded text messages and photos showing that SANCHEZ was in fact dealing marijuana from his vehicle. Multiple texts were found asking for drugs at different prices.

SANCHEZ remains in custody of the San Juan Police Department where he faces charges of Possession of marijuana in a drug free zone (class A misdemeanor) and possession of a controlled substance (.5 grams of synthetic marijuana)