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UPDATE: Sex Abuse Suspect Indicted for Two Additional Victims

October 8, 2019

On September 19, 2019, a Washington County grand jury indicted Benito Juarez-Hernandez for six crimes related to two additional victims. The new charges are four counts of sexual abuse in the first degree and two counts of using a child in a display of sexually explicit conduct. His Washington County bail is set at \$4.25 million.

The most recent case came to light as a direct result of the media coverage when Mr. Juarez-Hernandez was indicted earlier this year for the previous victims. Detectives still believe there are additional victims of the suspects in this case and encourage anyone with information to call 503-846-2700.



Benito Juarez-Hernandez

(Original release below)

Detectives Seek Additional Victims After 3 Family Members Arrested for Sex Abuse

May 30, 2019

In April 2019, detectives with the Violent Crimes Unit began investigating a report of multiple children being sexually abused by several members of one family. Detectives learned that three adults had abused at least five children in the Beaverton and Aloha communities. The abuse started about 15 years ago and continued until 2019, when it was first reported to law enforcement.

Detectives identified the suspects as 39-year-old Benito Juarez-Hernandez, his 33-year-old brother Cupertino Juarez-Hernandez, and 36-year-old Diana Rodriguez, who is Cupertino's ex-wife.

Detectives arrested Cupertino on April 13, 2019. A Washington County grand jury indicted Cupertino on April 22, 2019. On May 28, 2019, a second Washington County grand jury indicted Benito, Cupertino (for additional victims), and Diana.

Benito is currently serving a prison term at the Oregon State Penitentiary in Salem on a previous conviction for sexually assaulting additional children who are unrelated to this investigation. He is also being held on \$2,750,000 bail on the following new charges:



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- Sodomy in the First Degree – 4 counts
- Unlawful Sexual Penetration in the First Degree
- Sexual Abuse in the First Degree – 6 counts

Cupertino is being held on \$5,500,000 bail at the Washington County Jail on the following charges:

- Sodomy in the First Degree – 18 counts
- Sodomy in the Second Degree – 4 counts
- Sexual Abuse in the First Degree – 4 counts
- Sexual Abuse in the Second Degree – 4 counts

Detectives arrested Diana on May 29th and she is being held on \$4,750,000 bail at the Washington County Jail on the following charges:

- Sodomy in the First Degree – 7 counts
- Rape in the First Degree – 6 counts
- Using a Child in a Display of Sexually Explicit Conduct – 4 counts
- Sexual Abuse in the First Degree – 2 counts

Based on the investigation, detectives strongly believe there are additional victims in this case. If you have information about any of the suspects, please call the Washington County Sheriff's Office at 503-846-2700.

The Sheriff's Office thanks the staff at CARES Northwest (www.caresnw.org) for their partnership with this investigation. CARES Northwest is a collaborative, community-based medical program for the assessment, treatment, and prevention of child abuse.



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Diana Rodriguez



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