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## **News Release**

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### **Wanted Parolee Arrested After Deputy Stops to Assist with Stalled Vehicle**

**Pueblo, CO:** A Pueblo County Sheriff's Deputy who stopped to assist with a stalled vehicle ended up, after a brief foot chase, arresting the 36-year-old driver who was wanted on a felony warrant from the Colorado Department of Corrections.

A Sheriff's deputy was driving near Troy Avenue and Cesar Chavez Boulevard at about 1:45 p.m. Sunday when he saw a black GMC Yukon stalled and blocking the eastbound ramp of Cesar Chavez Blvd. The deputy stopped to see if the driver needed assistance and to provide traffic control due to the vehicle blocking the ramp.

The deputy attempted to speak with the driver, who was pushing the vehicle, when the man, later identified as Gerald Rodriguez walked away from the deputy. The deputy, noticing Rodriguez's actions were suspicious, continued making verbal commands for him to stop. A woman also in the vehicle got out and walked away from the deputy. The deputy was able to convince Rodriguez and the woman to stop and talk with him. As the deputy was conducting a routine clearance of the two, Rodriguez took off running. Deputies chased Rodriguez on foot, through the nearby neighborhood before apprehending him at an apartment complex.

Rodriguez, who is on parole, had an outstanding felony warrant from DOC. He was arrested on the warrant and on new charges of resisting arrest and obstructing a police officer. He has been booked into the Pueblo County Jail.

"While the deputy had initially stopped to help with the stalled vehicle, he had great perception to notice the driver was acting suspiciously," said Sheriff David J. Lucero. "After learning the man had a felony warrant from DOC, the deputy, along with other responding deputies, did an incredible job surrounding the area and ultimately locating the suspect and taking him into custody. Excellent work by all involved."

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