

CITY OF
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**POLICE
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Auto Theft Investigation Leads to Weapons Arrests

Desert Hot Springs, January 11, 2024: On Wednesday, January 10, 2024, at approximately 7:15 am, Desert Hot Springs Police Detectives executed a search warrant at an address in the 66300 block of Granada Avenue related to a vehicle theft investigation.

During the operation, several firearms and home-made explosive devices were located and seized. The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hazardous Device Team responded to the scene and safely removed the devices located at the residence. The following individuals were taken into custody and booked into the Riverside County Jail in Indio.

- Zachary Hernandez (33) for auto theft and violation of post-release community supervision.
- Carlos Mayorga (31) for felon in possession of firearm and ammunition, and parole violation warrant.
- Jesus Aguilera Jr. (34) for possession of an explosive/destructive device and parole violation.
- LuQuwon Briddell (29) for parole violation warrant.
- Cecilia Romero (32) for warrant – Drug offenses

For more information, please contact Detective Sergeant Chris Saucier at 760-329-2904 x 382 or csaucier@dhspd.com. If you wish to remain anonymous you can call Crime Stoppers at (760) 341-STOP.

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