



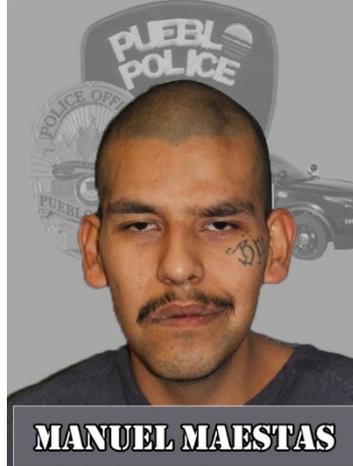
PRESS RELEASE

City of Pueblo Police Department

Armed Robbery Arrest



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On Tuesday, January 19, 2021, Pueblo police arrested 27-year-old, Manuel Maestas in regard to a series of armed robberies in the city of Pueblo.

Detectives located Maestas wearing the same clothing he was wearing while committing several of the robberies. During a brief foot chase, Maestas made several movements as if he were attempting to retrieve something from his waistband.

After being captured and searched, police found a stolen H&K 9mm handgun in his pant leg. This gun was stolen in 2018.

Maestas is alleged to have been involved in five recent armed robberies. He is currently on parole for Aggravated Robbery (Carjacking).

Manuel Maestas was booked into Pueblo County Jail for POWPO (Possession of a Weapon by Previous Offender), Aggravated Robbery (x5), Restraining Order Violation, Possession of Schedule I & II Controlled Substance, Aggravated Motor Vehicle Theft, Theft, and a Parole Hold.

The information contained in this press release is based on preliminary information available at the time of its drafting. The Pueblo Police Department's understanding of this incident may change as additional evidence is collected, analyzed and reviewed. The purpose of this press release is to provide timely information to the public. In consideration of the foregoing, please be advised that any statements expressed herein are subject to change at any time.

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