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## MARYSVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT ARRESTS MAN FOR CHILD MOLESTATION

On Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, the Marysville Police Department arrested 39 year old Juan Francisco Rodriguez, a Marysville resident, for several counts of lewd and lascivious acts with a child under 14 years of age. The investigation started in late June of this year (2015), when a 16 year old juvenile female was apprehended by a Yuba County Sheriff's deputy. The juvenile was previously reported by her mother as a runaway. When the juvenile told law enforcement why she ran away from home, she was immediately interviewed by a Marysville police officer.

The juvenile told Marysville Police that she ran away from home out of fear that her mother was going to get back together with her ex-boyfriend, 39 year old Juan Francisco Rodriguez. The juvenile left her home immediately after hearing her mother talking with Rodriguez on the telephone.

The juvenile told Marysville Police that Rodriguez forced her to have sex with him on numerous occasions when he was dating her mother. At that time, the victim reported that she was as young as 12 years old. The victim reported that this sexual abuse went on for more than 2 years, until her mother broke up with Rodriguez in 2014 for battering her. The victim also reported that Rodriguez sent her a text message containing a photograph of his genitals.

Rodriguez met with a Marysville Police detective at the Marysville Police Department for an interview on Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. After the interview Rodriguez was arrested and transported to the Yuba County Jail. Rodriguez was booked for lewd and lascivious acts with a child under 14 years of age, unlawful sexual intercourse, oral copulation, contact of minor with intent to commit sexual offense, harmful matter sent to minor, inflicting corporal injury on a cohabitant, and violation of probation. Rodriguez' bail was set at \$500,000.00

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