

## Cibola County man arrested for raping juvenile

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### Staff Reports

CIBOLA COUNTY – The New Mexico State Police Uniform Bureau and Investigations Bureau were called to investigate allegations of criminal sexual penetration of a juvenile against Edwin Mariano, 40, of Grants.

Through an extensive investigation, State Police agents learned the victim resided in the home with Mariano. During the investigation the juvenile disclosed that Mariano gave her alcohol and sexually assaulted her.

On Nov. 1 State Police officers were able to locate and successfully arrest Edwin Mariano without incident in Grants.

He was booked into the Cibola County Detention Center on the following charges:

- Criminal sexual penetration of a minor, 2nd degree felony
- Contributing to the delinquency of a minor, 4th degree felony
- Selling or giving alcoholic beverages to a minor, 4th degree felony
- Driving with a suspended revoked driver's license, misdemeanor



Mariano was booked on a no-bond hold. The identity of the child will not be released by State Police. No additional information is currently available.