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Agents from nine units participated

When 24-year-old Christopher Perez, of Albuquerque, broke parole by unlawfully owning a firearm, eight different law enforcement agencies, as well as tactical team members responded.

Agents from the New Mexico State Police Auto Theft Unit, Violent Crimes Task Force Unit, Crime Suppression Unit, Special Investigations Unit, and Fugitive Apprehension Unit along with NMSP Tactical Team members, New Mexico Department of Corrections, Adult Probation and Parole, and APD SWAT arrived at a residence at 312 Aztec Rd. NW in Albuquerque.

As agents approached, they saw Perez flee into the yard. Agents believed Perez was still on the property, so a perimeter was established around the area.

Agents searched for four-and-a-half hours, using loudspeakers to convince Perez to surrender peacefully.

They found him in a crawl space under the house at around 6:30 pm and tactical team members and crisis negotiators persuaded him to come out.

He was taken into custody Aug. 26 by NMSP as part of the metro proactive crime suppression and traffic enforcement operation, and booked into the Albuquerque Metro Detention Center.

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Perez was released from the Detention Center on Aug. 27.

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