



Two people traveling four miles over the speed limit got stopped at Lendnation at 815 E. Hwy. 66 on Oct. 20 around 9:16 am. They both got out of a white Ford Expedition with Texas plates and fled from McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Brandon Salazar. But one of them fell.

The driver, Carlos Ramirez-Becerril, 33 of Elendorf, Tex., was detained. While Ramirez-Becerril sat in the sheriff's unit, Salazar cleared the Ford SUV and found a gift bag of marijuana in the back seat and four large duffel bags in the interior of the vehicle.

The driver, who needed his Miranda Rights translated, let it be known that he would not answer any questions, but did give written consent to search the vehicle.

Marijuana gift bag

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Salazar found the duffel bags were filled with marijuana. The marijuana was seized and logged into evidence at the sheriff's department.

There were no items inside the SUV that could lead to the identity of the second occupant of the Ford.

Ramirez-Becerril was charged with intent to distribute or possess with intent to distribute and resisting, evading, or obstructing an officer.

Ramirez-Becerril posted bond of \$2,000.

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