

## Child molester arrested; bonds out

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A Gallup man accused of child molestation was jailed May 11 and bonded out just hours later, officials said.

Carlos Juarez, 41, was taken into custody by the Gallup Police Department on two counts of sexual penetration on a child under the age of 13.

Already on probation for an earlier and similar charge, Juarez was booked last week at 5:17 pm, was out at 9:26 pm, and was later released on \$10,000 bond, McKinley County Adult Detention Center Warden Steve Silversmith said.

According to court records, the latest charge against Juarez was brought before Gallup Police Department in April, but the actual offenses took place over a period of time, some six or seven years ago. Juarez is accused of molesting a young girl for several months and then continuing the molestation for periods thereafter.

In the latter case, the person molested said she didn't mention the matter until recently, because she was afraid no one would believe her. She told counselors working the case that she's had trouble sleeping, has experienced nightmares and has gone through bouts of depression.

Juarez was given probation on Feb. 5 for inappropriately touching a 6-year-old girl. He pleaded guilty to the earlier charge and was in the beginning of an 18-month probation period. Juarez' probation was not impacted by the latter charge, as the latter charge was said to have taken place many years ago.

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