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NEWS RELEASE

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## Man Arrested in Animal Cruelty Case After Dog Found With Embedded Chain Collar

Date: 07/16/2024 Location: 1200 block of Airway Blvd.

**Arrested:** 27-year-old Devan Gallegos, resident of Northeast El Paso, TX **Charge:** Cruelty to Non-livestock Animals: Kill/Poison/SBI (3<sup>rd</sup> degree Felony)

Judge: Estrada Bond: \$10,000

El Paso, Texas— The El Paso Police Department Animal Cruelty Investigations Unit is investigating an animal cruelty incident that occurred on July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 on the 1200 block of Airway Blvd. Investigators responded in reference to a dog with a chain collar embedded into the lower part of its neck. The investigation revealed Gallegos kept the dog tethered with the chain collar that progressively cut into the dog's neck. The chain collar was removed and after treatment, the dog was released to the Humane Society of El Paso. Gallegos was taken into custody and booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility with a \$10,000 bond.

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