



**CITY OF FALL RIVER MASSACHUSETTS  
POLICE DEPARTMENT**



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**PRESS RELEASE  
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**June 4<sup>th</sup> 2019 Assault of 60-year-old city resident and off duty city officer**

On June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at approximately 8:00 P.M Off duty Sgt Steven R. Burt reported as he was on his way home, when he observed a group of motorcycles and a car at the entrance to Wal-Mart on Brayton Avenue. One of the motorcycles was lying on the ground and it appeared to be a motor vehicle accident. Sgt. Burt then exited his vehicle to see if there were any injuries. As he was walking towards the group, he saw an older male on one knee attempting to stand up. The group of motorcycle riders surrounded the male while kicking and punching him from all sides. Sgt. Burt then ran over to the males to stop the assault. Sgt. Burt identified himself as a police officer; however the males continued the assault.

One of the motorcycle riders then attempted to flee on a white motorcycle, Sgt Burt yelled for the rider to stop, but he refused. Sgt Burt then grabbed the male attempting to flee, knocking him and the motorcycle to the ground. A fight ensued between the male and Sgt. Burt. Another unidentified male then jumped in and began punching and kicking Sgt. Burt in the leg, face and ribs. As Sgt. Burt was engaged with the two unidentified males, he noticed another male running towards the sixty year old male. At that time, the male reached towards his waistband with his right hand and retrieved a firearm. The male with the firearm then began pistol-whipping the victim in the head. The firearm he brandished was described as a four or five inch, 1911 style pistol, black, with light colored wooden grips, and a silver barrel.

The unidentified male with the firearm then returned the firearm into his waistband. Sgt. Burt was able to disengage from the two males and began to head in the direction of the male with the firearm in attempt to confront him. The unidentified male raised his arms to his sides as if he was challenging Sgt. Burt. At that time, all the males got on their motorcycles and fled from the area. As the males began to flee, Sgt. Burt began to take photographs of the riders and motorcycles. The victim also left the area.

Over the next several days, Special Operations Division Officers Matt Mendes, Jose Dapedra, Greg Homen, Frank Andrade, and John Ruggiero with assistance from Major Crimes Division Detectives began a canvass of the area to locate the victim, witnesses, video, and other evidence to help identify the suspects and victim. As the investigation progressed the victim was located and interviewed. The victim reported he was diagnosed at a Boston hospital with a subdural brain hemorrhage.

Cell phone, surveillance, and social media videos were located, reviewed, and as a result two of the alleged assailants were identified as Angel Luciano, 21, of 364 Tecumseh St., and his "close associate" Anbiorix Torres, 20, of 1A Rolling Green Drive both Fall River. Luciano has "strong ties with several violent street gangs" including the Gangster Disciples, Shotgun Crips and Asian Boyz. Investigators learned that Luciano and Torres recently purchased street bikes to transport narcotics. Investigators also learned that Torres stored the motorcycles at a storage facility on Lawton Street. Investigators obtained video, time stamped shortly after the assault, showing the motorcycle operators without helmets apparently celebrating and re-enacting the assault. A

confidential informant came forward and produced the name of Jose Luis Gervacio, 25, 38 Garfield Street Fall River as the third individual involved in the assault.

After this lengthy investigation which lasted over a week, Officer Mendes asked for and received search and arrest warrants for Torres, Luciano, and Gervacio and their properties. These warrants were executed simultaneously on June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

During the execution of the warrants for Anbiorix Torres, Torres was located and taken into custody at his residence. **1,162 grams of suspected Heroin (street value of \$110,000), a 9mm pistol, and ammunition** were seized in his residence. A search warrant was executed at the storage facility. Seized were **2 loaded pistols (a 32 caliber and a 9mm), a loaded .223 caliber short barrel assault rifle, the motorcycle and helmet.**

Angel Luciano was taken into custody without incident upon his arrival at the Storage facility on his motorcycle. His motorcycle and helmet were seized.

Jose Luis Gervacio was taken into custody without incident upon his arrival at his residence. A search warrant was executed and his motorcycle was seized from a shed in the rear yard.

**Anbiorix L.Torres, 20, of 1A Rolling Green Drive Fall River**

A&B ON +60 / DISABLED WITH INJURY

LEAVE SCENE OF PROPERTY DAMAGE

A&B A&B ON POLICE OFFICER

VANDALIZE PROPERTY c266 §126A

HEROIN/MORPHINE/OPIUM, TRAFFICKING IN 200 GRAMS OR

FIREARM, POSS./CARRY LARGE CAPACITY FIREARM OR FEE

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AMMUNITION WITHOUT FID CARD, POSSESS s.10(h), SUBS

FIREARM, POSS./CARRY LARGE CAPACITY FIREARM OR FEE

ASSAULT WEAPON, UNLICEN SELL/POSSESS

FIREARM, POSS./CARRY LARGE CAPACITY FIREARM OR FEE

AMMUNITION WITHOUT FID CARD, POSSESS s.10(h), SUBS

FIREARM, POSS./CARRY LARGE CAPACITY FIREARM OR FEE

FIREARM, CARRY/POSS. W/O LTC NON-LARGE CAPACITY IN

AMMUNITION WITHOUT FID CARD, POSSESS s.10(h), SUBS

FIREARM, POSS./CARRY LARGE CAPACITY FIREARM OR FEE

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**Angel Joel Luciano, 21, of 364 Tecumseh St. Fall River**

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LEAVE SCENE OF PROPERTY DAMAGE  
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A&B ON +60 / DISABLED WITH INJURY

**Jose Luis Gervacio, 25, 38 Garfield Street Fall River**

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A&B ON +60 / DISABLED WITH INJURY  
A&B, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY

This is still an open investigation.

(Photos Attached)

Detective John Robinson  
Press information Officer  
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Office of Professional Standards

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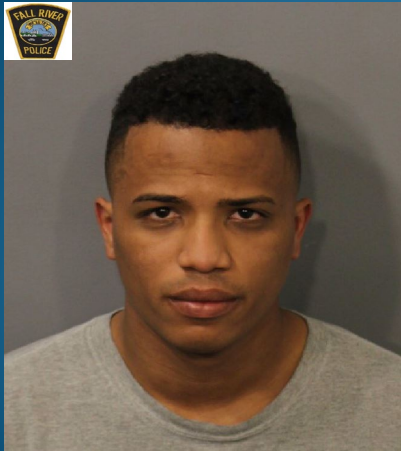


Anbiorix L. Torres 02/25/1999  
1 Rolling Green Drive Apt# 1A  
Fall River MA

Charges:

- Trafficking 200 +grams – Heroin
- Possession Large Capacity
- Firearm/Feeding device (7 counts)
- Possess Assault Rifle
- Possess Firearm in Felony
- Possession of ammunition w/o FID
- Numerous other weapons charges
- A&B Police Officer
- A&B on a person over 60 or Disabled
- Assault and Battery
- Leaving the Scene/ Property Damage
- Vandalize Property

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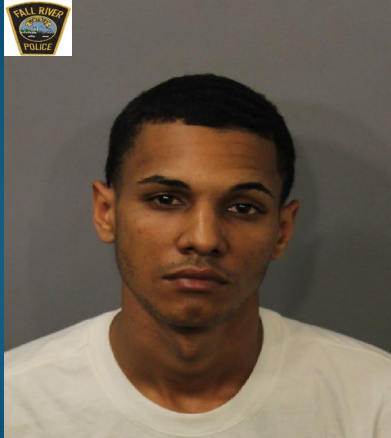
Jose Luis Gervacio DOB 09/16/93  
38 Garfield Street #2

Fall River MA

Charges:

- A&B Dangerous weapon (2 counts)
- A&B Police Officer
- A&B on a person over 60 or Disabled
- Aggravated A&B
- Assault and Battery
- Assault Dangerous weapon
- Leaving the Scene/ Property Damage
- Vandalize Property

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Angel Joel Luciano DOB 11/19/97  
364 Tecumseh Street #2

Fall River MA

Charges:

- A&B on a person over 60 or Disabled
- Assault and Battery
- Leaving the Scene/ Property Damage
- Vandalize Property