



## Yakima Police Department

# **News Release**

**Subject: Drive-By Shooting Suspects Arrested**

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### **24<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Chestnut Avenue Drive-By Suspects Arrested**

Today members of the Pacific Northwest Violent Offenders Task Force located and arrested 19-year-old Jose Angel Ortega, who police allege was the shooter in a drive-by shooting on Sunday in the area of 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Chestnut Avenue.

Yesterday detectives from the Yakima Police Department's Major Crimes Unit located and arrested 22-year-old Gabriel Farias, who police say was driving the car Ortega was in during Sunday's drive-by shooting.

Ortega will be charged with drive-by shooting and 1<sup>st</sup> degree assault. Farias is being charged with rendering criminal assistance.

"I commend Yakima Police Department (YPD) Patrol Officer John Oliveri for finding the suspect vehicle within hours of the shooting and YPD Major Crimes Unit detectives for their tireless work bringing this case together so quickly," YPD Captain Jay Seely said.

"This case will now be turned over to the prosecutor's office and the two suspects will be held accountable in a court of law. My hope is this will help bring some relief to the shooting victim's family and help the Barge-Chestnut area feel some restored sense of safety and security," Seely said.