



## Yakima Police Department

# News Release

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

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### Two Drive-by Suspects Arrested

Two men suspected of being involved in a drive-by shooting in mid-October were arrested by Yakima police on Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup>.

At about 7:15 pm this past Saturday, a detective assigned to the Yakima Police Department's (YPD) Gang Unit spotted the two suspects, who police believe were involved in a drive-by shooting on October 13<sup>th</sup> near 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and West A Street. With the assistance of YPD patrol officers, the pair of suspects was arrested in the 1000 block of West Nob Hill Boulevard.

Isaiah Mendez Sanchez was booked into the Yakima County Jail and charged with Assault 1<sup>st</sup> Degree and Drive-by Shooting. Ruben Valentine Cornejo, Jr. was booked on charges of Assault 1<sup>st</sup> Degree, Drive-by Shooting, and Unlawful Possession of a Firearm.

Police are still searching for another suspect in the shooting, 20-year-old Armando Mendez Sanchez.

The victim of the shooting is still being treated at Harborview Medical Center in Seattle.

Anyone with information that may be relevant to this case is urged to contact the YPD at (509) 575-6200 or by calling 9-1-1. Tips can also be reported to Yakima County Crime Stoppers by phone at 1-800-248-9980, on the organization's website at [www.crimestoppersyakco.org](http://www.crimestoppersyakco.org), or through the "P3 Tips" app at <http://p3intel.com/mobileapp.htm> that can be downloaded for free.