



LANCASTER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

NEWS RELEASE

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Date: December 21, 2011

Wanted Suspect in Stabbing Arrested

INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY RELEASED:

On December 4, 2011 at approximately 2:32 a.m., Lancaster City Police officers responded to the area of the 1st block of Green Street for a report of a stabbing. Upon arrival Officers located a 22-year-old city man on the front stairs of a residence in the block. This individual was bleeding heavily, and was transported to a local hospital by ambulance for treatment of multiple stab wounds.

The victim was later interviewed and related that he was stabbed by the below suspect following a verbal dispute over a female. A physical fight then ensued between the two men. At some point during this altercation the suspect stabbed the victim numerous times.

The victim identified Jovanny Rivera in a photographic array as the person who had stabbed him.

The victim suffered serious, life-threatening injuries to include approximately 10 stab wounds and a punctured lung. In addition, the victim sustained a laceration to the back of his head and a bruised left eye.

As a result of this investigation, an arrest warrant for Criminal Attempt to Commit Homicide and Aggravated Assault was issued for the below subject:

WANTED:

Jovanny Rivera
19 years old
5'9", 150 lbs.

Last known address: 235 Chester St. Apt.1, Lancaster PA

The charges were filed and the warrant was obtained by Detective Kurt Miller.

Jovanny RIVERA

UPDATED INFORMATION ON ARREST ON 20 Dec 2011:

While Police were actively searching for Jovanny Rivera, he turned himself into police on 20 Dec 2011 at



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approximately 2:45 pm, in the 600 Blk Eden Road, where he was taken into custody without incident by Detective Sgt. Mike Winters and Detective Miller . Rivera was then conveyed to the Police Station, where he was subsequently arraigned later that night by Magisterial District Judge Kelly Ballentine, bail was set at \$500,000.00 and he was committed to Lancaster County Prison in lieu of bail.

As always, anyone charged with a crime is presumed innocent until proven guilty in court.

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