

Maricopa County Sheriff's Office
Joe Arpaio, Sheriff
News Brief

**Maricopa County Sheriff's Officers
Attacked in 4th Avenue Jail**

**Two Inmates being held in the 4th Avenue Jail for murder
Attack two Detention Officers during routine search**

(Maricopa County) Earlier today two inmates housed at the 4th Avenue Jail assaulted two Maricopa County Sheriff's Detention Officers, by attempting to stab the Officers with a "shank".

The inmates have been identified as Felix Vasquez, arrested in October 2008, for the murder of off duty Corrections Officer Bradley Gerrard, and Christopher Santome, also charged with murder, and currently has an immigration hold.

As the inmates were being removed from their cell for a routine search they quickly attacked the two Officers before being subdued. The Officers involved were transported to the medical clinic to be treated for minor injuries, and are expected to be fine.

Sheriff Arpaio said "I will not tolerate assaults on my Officers, and I have ordered that the two inmates involved in the assault be fed bread and water".

Video available upon request.

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Christopher Santome



Felix Vasquez