

CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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CHILD PORNOGRAPHY ARREST

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department, an active member of the South Florida Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, served a search warrant today, March 4th, at approximately 8:30 A.M. upon a private residence located at 5223 North Dixie Highway, Apartment A1 in the City of Oakland Park.

While using software developed by the non-profit organization Child Rescue Coalition, an ICAC Detective from the Fort Lauderdale Police Department located an IP address that was trading child pornography, which was traced to The Sapphire Condo Complex located at 2821 North A1A, in the City of Fort Lauderdale. Further investigation revealed that the defendant was trading child pornography from his home IP address as well.

Fort Lauderdale Detectives, in conjunction with members of the ICAC Task Force and The Broward Sheriff's Office SWAT team executed the search warrant, which yielded over twenty (20) graphic videos of children as young as 4 years old being sexually abused by adults.

The defendant has been identified as Juan Sebastian Chavez, W/M, 3/5/91 a resident of the City of Oakland Park.

Chavez was charged with (20) twenty counts of Possession of Child Pornography, (1) one count of Use of Computer to Compile Child Pornography and (1) one count of Possession of Child Pornography with Intent to Promote.

If anyone has any information regarding this incident they are encouraged to contact Detective Rob Mauro at 954- 888-1570 or Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.

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