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## **Suspect Arrested Following Theft, Assault**

CHEYENNE, Wy — An ongoing investigation resulted in the arrest of a man for felony theft and assault of an employee at a local business.

### *Timeline of Events -*

On Saturday, February 24, at approximately 12:00 p.m., a Cheyenne Police Officer was dispatched to a report of a theft at the Cheyenne Vision Clinic located at 1854 Dell Range Boulevard.

According to statements, a male suspect, later identified as Charles Anaya, 32, of Cheyenne, walked into the business, took multiple pairs of glasses from display cases, and left without paying.

A female employee followed Anaya to the parking lot and confronted him as he entered his vehicle. She was able to retrieve the glasses but was punched in the face multiple times by Anaya. The vehicle then left the location.

Officers completed an affidavit of probable cause and a warrant was issued for Anaya's arrest.

On Thursday, March 7 a Cheyenne Police Detective observed a subject matching Anaya's description walking in the area of East 15<sup>th</sup> Street and Hot Springs Avenue. Officers contacted the subject and confirmed it was Anaya, who was known to have outstanding warrants.

He was arrested on the warrant related to the eye clinic theft and three other warrants, then booked into the Laramie County Jail without incident.

- Laramie County Warrants:
  - Theft over \$1,000 and simple assault
  - Failure to pay on an original charge of a suspended driver's license
  - Failure to pay on an original charge of battery
- City Warrant:
  - Failure to appear on original charges were possession of methamphetamine, suspended driver's license, shoplifting, and taking personal goods