

MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Subject: **TWO UNLICENSED CONTRACTORS**
ARRESTED

The Miami Police Department's Financial Crimes Unit arrested two unlicensed contractors who have been charged with defrauding a homeowner of \$135,000.00 in a home remodeling scam. The individuals, identified as Luis Gustavo Arveloteran, D.O.B. 08/26/1989 and Maria Delosangeles Rosalessolorzano, D.O.B. 11/23/1990, failed to perform the agreed-upon remodeling work after receiving payment from the victim.

According to detectives investigating the case, the victim found the defendants online while searching for contractors. The victim met with the defendants and after a walk-through of his home, he was provided with a renovation quote of \$270,000.00. with a 50% down deposit. The victim, eager to improve his property, wrote the contractors a check in the amount of \$135,000.00. However, after receiving the payment, the contractors demolished the interior of the home and disappeared without returning to complete any of the promised renovations.

This is a clear case of fraudulent behavior targeting innocent homeowners who are simply looking to improve their living spaces. Detectives take these crimes very seriously and are committed to holding those responsible accountable for their actions.

Furthermore, detectives believe that there may be additional victims who have fallen prey to similar scams orchestrated by these unlicensed contractors. The Miami Police Department urges anyone who may have had dealings with the defendants, or who may have additional information related to other cases, to come forward and assist with the ongoing investigation.

We encourage anyone who believes they have been victimized by the defendants to contact the **Miami Police Department's Financial Crimes Unit** at **(305) 603- 6280**.

Please see the attached redacted Arrest Affidavits for more information.

Anyone with information is urged to contact the Miami Police Department's Financial Crimes Unit at (305) 603-6280. Those with information that wish to remain anonymous can contact Miami-Dade Crime Stoppers at (305) 471- TIPS (4877), visit www.crimestoppersmiami.com and select "Give a Tip" or Send a text message to 274637. Enter CSMD followed by the tip information and press send.

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