



AURORA POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS RELEASE

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AURORA POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES ARREST IN CHILD PORNOGRAPHY INVESTIGATION

Aurora, IL – An Aurora Police Department investigation has resulted in felony charges related to the possession of child sexual abuse material (CSAM) and solicitation of a minor. The case involved extensive investigations conducted by Aurora Police investigators, which resulted in the identification of an individual accused of possessing illegal material involving minors.

On January 06, 2026, an investigation was conducted and Michael Orozco, 25, of the 400 block of S Union St. was interviewed by detectives about talking to a person he believed was 13 years old online. During that conversation he discussed having the 13-year-old engage in a sex act. During the investigation, it was learned Orozco may have been in possession of child sexual abuse material. A search was conducted on Orozco's devices, which yielded possession of CSAM. On March 4th, 2026, an arrest warrant for Orozco was obtained and he was taken into custody the same day without incident.

The following charges were approved by the Kane County State's Attorney's Office:

- Possession of CSAM (under 13 x 4 counts) – **Class 2 Felony**
- Possession of CSAM (under 18 x 4 counts) – **Class 3 Felony**
- Indecent Solicitation of a Minor – **Class 4 Felony**
- Grooming – **Class 4 Felony**

Orozco was arrested and being held at the Kane County Adult Justice Center, where he remains until his next court date on April 10, 2026.

"This investigation represents some of the most important work our detectives do," said Aurora Police Chief Matt Thomas. "Protecting children from exploitation — whether online or in our community — is a responsibility we take very seriously. These cases often involve complex digital investigations that require specialized expertise and close coordination with prosecutors. Through our participation in the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, our investigators work with partner agencies to share resources, leverage specialized tools, and identify offenders who seek to exploit children".

The investigation into this incident remains active. Anyone with information is asked to call Aurora Police's Department Investigations Division at (630) 256-5500.

Charges are not proof of guilt. The defendant listed in this release is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial, at which it is the burden of the State to prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt

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