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Ask for a lawyer **immediately** if you are arrested. **Do not** make statements regarding the incident.
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414.444.8726
Voces De La Frontera
1027 South 5th Street, 53204
414.643.1620
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1615 S. 22nd Street, 53204
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Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office
821 West State Street, Room 107, 53233
414-278-5399/mksherriff@mksherriff.org
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