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AURORA STREET GANG MEMBER GETS 30-YEAR SENTENCE FOR MULTIPLE GUN CRIMES

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23-year-old **Alexavier Fuentes** on March 2, 2021, agreed to a sentence of 30 years of imprisonment in the Illinois Department of Corrections in exchange for a guilty plea to the offenses of:

- Armed violence, Class X felony
- Possession of a weapon by a felon, Class 2 felony
- Unlawful use of a weapon by a gang member, Class 2 felony

Kane County Assistant State's Attorney Joseph Cullen stated in court that on Aug. 30, 2018, Fuentes, a member of an Aurora street gang, approached a vehicle that was occupied by someone he believed was a member of a rival street gang and fired two shots from a semiautomatic handgun into the vehicle. When Fuentes was arrested for the crime the next day by Aurora police, he was in possession of a loaded semiautomatic handgun that he was prohibited by law from possessing because of a January 2018 Kane County conviction for the offense of aggravated unlawful use of a weapon, Class 4 felony.

On Sept. 19, 2016, Aurora police stopped a vehicle for a traffic offense. As the driver fled the vehicle, he threw a loaded semiautomatic handgun to the ground and escaped capture. In May 2019, Aurora police confirmed through DNA evidence that Fuentes was the person who had thrown the gun and fled police. Fuentes was 19 years old at the time and not eligible to possess a gun.

In accordance with Illinois law, Fuentes is eligible for day-for-day sentencing. Fuentes receives credit for 915 days served in the Kane County jail, where he has been held since his arrest in lieu of \$2 million bail.

Kane County State's Attorney Jamie Mosser said:

"Illegal guns are a persistent threat to public safety. My thanks to the Aurora Police Department and to ASA Cullen for their work to protect the community."

Alexavier Fuentes: Age 23 (d.o.b. 11-5-1997), of the 300 block of Flag Street, Aurora, Illinois. Case Nos. 18CF1771, 18CF1772, 19CF990.