



# 2021 SEASON GAME NOTES



## HOME



**5-1-1**

## AWAY



**2-2-2**

## MATCH INFO

**Wednesday, June 16**

H-E-B Park

7:00 p.m. CST

Watch: ESPN+ & Somos el Valle 5.2

**Overall: 1-4-0**

**Home: 1-2-0**

**Away: 0-2-0**

## 2021 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	RESULT
05/01	vs. New Mexico United	7:30PM CST	W, 1-0
05/06	vs. San Diego Loyal	7:00PM CST	W, 1-0
05/16	vs. San Antonio FC	7:30PM CST	W, 2-1
05/22	@ El Paso Locomotive FC	8:30PM CST	L, 1-0
05/29	@ San Antonio FC	7:30PM CST	D, 1-1
06/06	@ Miami FC	5:30PM CST	W, 4-2
06/12	vs. Real Monarchs SLC	7:00PM CST	W, 1-0
06/16	vs. Austin Bold FC	7:00PM CST	-
06/19	@ San Antonio FC	7:30PM CST	-
06/25	vs. Tulsa FC	7:30PM CST	-
06/30	vs. El Paso Locomotive FC	7:00PM CST	-
07/10	@ Austin Bold FC	8:00PM CST	-
07/17	@ Orange County SC	7:00PM CST	-
07/24	vs. Austin Bold FC	8:00PM CST	-
07/31	@ Phoenix Rising FC	9:30PM CST	-
08/04	@ Real Monarchs SLC	9:00PM CST	-
08/08	vs. San Antonio FC	7:30PM CST	-
08/14	vs. Colorado Springs Switchbacks FC	7:00PM CST	-
08/17	@ Austin Bold FC	8:00PM CST	-
08/21	@ El Paso Locomotive FC	8:30PM CST	-
08/29	@ OKC Energy FC	5:00PM CST	-
09/04	vs. Loudoun United	7:00PM CST	-
09/11	@ Colorado Springs Switchbacks FC	8:00PM CST	-
09/18	vs. Colorado Springs Switchbacks FC	7:00PM CST	-
09/22	@ New Mexico United	8:00PM CST	-
09/25	vs. Atlanta United II	8:00PM CST	-
10/02	vs. Real Monarchs SLC	7:30PM CST	-
10/09	@ New Mexico United	6:00PM CST	-
10/16	@ Colorado Springs Switchbacks FC	7:00PM CST	-
10/23	vs. New Mexico United	7:30PM CST	-
10/27	@ Real Monarchs SLC	8:00PM CST	-
10/30	vs. El Paso Locomotive FC	7:30PM CST	-

## TOROS COMMUNICATIONS

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## STATUS REPORT

### PLAYER NAME

### POS

### STATUS

Kyle Edwards

FW

OUT (INTL. DUTY)

Aitor Lopez

FW

OUT (knee)

Juan David Cabezas

MF

QUESTIONABLE

Grant Robinson

DF

QUESTIONABLE

Juan Carlos Azocar

FW

QUESTIONABLE



# RGV FC TOROS 2021 INFORMATION



## QUICK FACTS

**Team:**  
Rio Grande Valley FC  
**Colors:**  
Orange, Black, Blue  
**Location:**  
Edinburg, TX  
**Stadium:**  
H-E-B Park (9,700)  
**First Season:**  
2016  
**Owner:**  
Alonzo Cantu

**Sporting Director:**  
Wilmer Cabrera  
**All-Time Record:**  
50-58-43  
**All-Time Home Record:**  
33-20-23  
**All-Time Away Record:**  
17-38-20  
**Playoff Appearances:**  
2016  
**Playoff Record:**  
0-1-0  
**Conference:**  
Western Conf.  
**Conference Titles:**  
N/A

### LEGEND

\*Loaned from Houston  
Dynamo FC

**Ticket Phone:**  
956-56-ARENA  
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info@hebparkrgv.com  
**Box Office Hours:**  
10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

## PLAYER INFO

#	PLAYER	POS	HT	WT	D.O.B.	HOMETOWN
1	Tyler Deric	GK	6'3"	185	8/30/88	Houston, TX
2	Carter Manley	DF	5'11"	170	4/29/96	Elkridge, MD
3	Grant Robinson	DF	5'9"	209	8/15/98	Columbia, MD
4	Erik Pimentel	DF	5'10"	168	5/15/90	Coacalco de Berriozabal, MX
5	Juan David Cabezas	MF	6'0"	179	2/27/91	Cali, Colombia
6	James Murphy	MF	5'11"	159	9/17/97	Scotch Plains, NJ
7	Juan Carlos Azocar*	MF	5'9"	159	10/1/95	Maracay, Venezuela
8	Rodrigo Lopez	MF	5'7"	148	5/10/87	Guadalajara, MX
9	Elvis Amoh	FW	6'2"	165	2/2/92	Accra, Ghana
10	Aitor Lopez	FW	5'10"	174	6/4/99	Caracas, Venezuela
11	Vicente Sanchez	MF	5'7"	145	12/7/79	Montevideo, Uruguay
12	Colin Miller	GK	6'3"	194	10/25/96	Bel Air, MD
14	Baboucarr Njie	MF	6'1"	161	6/5/95	Serrekunda, The Gambia
15	Adrian Diz Pe	DF	6'3"	185	3/4/94	Havana, Cuba
16	Camden Riley	MF	6'1"	175	8/20/96	Dallas, TX
17	John Henry Sanchez	MF	5'7"	132	5/15/95	Tumaco, Colombia
18	Adrian Vera	MF	5'9"	150	1/13/97	Norwalk, CA
19	Eduin Quero	DF	5'8"	137	4/22/97	San Cristobal, Venezuela
20	Christian Sorto	MF	5'11"	146	1/19/00	Silver Spring, MD
21	Wan Kuzain	MF	5'10"	159	9/14/98	Carbondale, IL
23	Louis Ramsay	DF	5'10"	175	9/23/97	Southend, UK
24	Alexis Cerritos	FW	5'11"	141	10/2/00	Santa Clara, CA
25	Diego Rocha	DF	6'1"	148	5/8/01	Laredo, TX
26	Josue Soto	MF	5'9"	161	1/3/89	Fort Worth, TX
	Kyle Edwards*	FW	6'1"	185	1/15/97	Barrouallie, St. Vincent & the Grenadines

## TEAM STAFF

### POSITION & NAME

Head Coach & Sporting Director - **Wilmer Cabrera**  
Assistant Coach - **Gerson Echeverry**  
Goalkeeper Coach - **Arturo Sanchez**  
Strength & Fitness Coach - **Joan Casanova**  
Athletic Trainer - **Craig Skinner**



# PRONUNCIATION GUIDE



## PLAYER INFO

#	PLAYER	PRONUNCIATION
1	Tyler Deric	
2	Carter Manley	
3	Grant Robinson	
4	Erik Pimentel	PEE-men-tell
5	Juan David Cabezas	
6	James Murphy	
7	Juan Carlos Azocar*	AH-zOH-CAR
8	Rodrigo Lopez	
9	Elvis Amoh	AH-mow
10	Aitor Lopez	
11	Vicente Sanchez	
12	Colin Miller	
14	Baboucarr Njie	BAH-boo-CAR JAI
15	Adrian Diz Pe	Deez Peh
16	Camden Riley	
17	John Henry Sanchez	
18	Adrian Vera	
19	Eduin Quero	
20	Christian Sorto	
21	Wan Kuzain	COO-zane
23	Louis Ramsay	loo-ee RAM-zee
24	Alexis Cerritos	Cir-Re-tos
25	Diego Rocha	
26	Josue Soto	
	Kyle Edwards*	

## STAFF INFO

### STAFF NAME

Head Coach & Sporting Director - Wilmer Cabrera  
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### PRONUNCIATION

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# TEAM STAFF



## HEAD COACH



### WILMER CABRERA

The appointment marks Cabrera's return to the Rio Grande Valley. He was previously named the first Head Coach in the club's history in December 2015 and led the club to its most successful season, earning a second-place finish in the Western Conference in the regular season and a place in the USL Championship Playoffs.

The 53-year-old brings more than a decade of experience at U.S Soccer and Major League Soccer to the Toros. Most recently, Cabrera managed Club de Foot Montreal in MLS late in 2019 where he led the team to the Canadian Championship title, defeating Toronto FC.

Prior to Montreal, Cabrera spent two-and-a-half-years with Houston Dynamo FC (2016-19). During

his tenure, Cabrera's side won the 2018 Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup, making him the first head coach to win both the U.S. Open Cup and Canadian Championship in consecutive years.

By earning the U.S. Open Cup, Houston qualified to the 2019 Scotiabank Concacaf Champions League, but their course ended in the quarterfinal round. In 2017, Cabrera led Houston to a berth in the 2017 MLS Cup Playoffs.

Cabrera joins RGV FC as Head Coach and Sporting Director.



### GERSON ECHEVERRY

As **Director of Scouting and Assistant Coach** Gerson Echeverry, who holds the longest tenure by any Head Coach at the club. Echeverry has taken the lead in scouting all current and prospect players for the club. He was appointed as Head Coach in late 2017 and remained in the position for three seasons with the Toros. Prior to RGV, Echeverry served as Head Coach at Seton Hall University's Men's Soccer program for five years. He has also served as an assistant coach for the United States U-17 Youth National Team and residency program. At the residency program, Echeverry evaluated prospects and implemented training plans with an emphasis on developing attacking players.



### ARTURO SANCHEZ

**Goalkeeper Coach** Arturo Sanchez enters his first season on the staff at RGV FC. The Mexican national returns to the Valley having previously been part of the Toros' inaugural squad in 2016 as a goalkeeper. Most recently, Sanchez was part of the coaching staff with San Antonio City Soccer Club, Austin Bold FC, San Antonio FC and St. Mary's University.



### JOAN CASANOVA

As **Strength and Fitness Coach** Casanova brings extensive experience for his first season in the United States. Previously, Casanova was part of the coaching staff at Odisha FC of the Indian Super League during the 2019 and 2020 campaign. Prior to Odisha, Casanova was the strength and conditioning coach at Kitchee SC of the Hong Kong Premier League. Throughout his three seasons with Kitchee, the club earned nine total trophies — Hong Kong Premier League Championships (2017, 2019), Hong Kong Sapling Cup (2017, 2019), Hong Kong Senior Shield (2018), Hong Kong FA Cup (2017, 2018) and Hong Kong Community Cup (2017, 2018). In addition, the squad competed in the AFC Champions League — Asia's equivalent to the UEFA and Concacaf Champions League — and AFC Cup tournaments.





# TOROS GAME RECAPS



## RGV VS NM

RGV FC defeated New Mexico United on Saturday night, boasting a 1-0 first-ever win during a season-opener. Elvis Amoh opened the goal tab during the 65th minute after Murphy was able to connect with him. The win also marks the first win against NM in club history.

For NM, Isidro Martinez made his debut at H-E-B Park with his new squad. It was the first time in his career that Martinez played against RGV FC. The Toros totaled 12 shots, while New Mexico took 10. Tyler Deric saved two shots for RGV and Alex Tambakis had three for New Mexico.

	G	SH	SOG	SV	YC	RC
<b>RGV</b>	1	12	4	2	3	0
<b>NM</b>	0	10	2	3	2	0

## RGV AT SAFC

Juan Carlos Azocar scored a bicycle kick goal to equalize the matchup 1-1 late in the 89th minute. Marcus Epps tallied the first goal of the game for SAFC in the first half to earn a lead throughout the match. Tyler Deric tied his career-high of nine saves, earning a

90% shots faced being saved. The last time he totaled nine saves was in 2017 with Houston Dynamo FC. Adrian Diz Pe played a crucial piece to the backline as he totaled eight clearances, four interceptions, three tackles while winning 86.7% of duels faced.

	G	SH	SOG	SV	YC	RC
<b>RGV</b>	1	10	4	9	3	0
<b>SA</b>	1	15	11	3	1	1

## RGV VS SD LOYAL

The matchup between both sides was kept tied throughout the game, until the 87th minute where Christian Sorto was able to connect with Vicente Sanchez. The 41-year-old headed the ball to the back of the net, giving the Toros a 1-0 victory. Sanchez goal made

him the oldest player in the USL to score a goal in league and club history. Landon Donovan and company was not able to equalize despite countless opportunities. Tyler Deric at goal for RGV FC kept his second clean sheet of the season with three saves.

	G	SH	SOG	SV	YC	RC
<b>RGV</b>	1	11	3	3	1	0
<b>SD</b>	0	7	3	2	3	0

## RGV AT MIAMI

Miami FC led the first half but the Toros were quick to spoil the home team's chance for a win, 4-2. Elvis Amoh scored a hat trick, the second all-time in club history and the first in his career. In addition, Rodrigo Lopez made his 100th USL regular-season

appearance on Sunday afternoon. He finished the night with three total shots, one on target and one created chance. Another Toros player that was key was Adrian Diz Pe who totaled five clearances, two interceptions, and one tackle.

	G	SH	SOG	SV	YC	RC
<b>RGV</b>	4	15	6	2	1	0
<b>MIA</b>	2	8	3	3	4	1

## RGV VS SAFC

The Toros earned a 2-1 victory over San Antonio FC, keeping their three-game winning streak. Wan Kuzain scored his first goal of the season with RGV while Christian Sorto did too. Santiago Patino tucked one away for San Antonio during the second half, but it wasn't enough to

earn three points on the road. Sunday night was a showcase for Sorto as he tallied five total shots, three on target. Collectively, RGV created 10 chances. Matt Cardone totaled five saves against RGV. The matchup marked the first Copa Tejas competition of the 2021 season.

	G	SH	SOG	SV	YC	RC
<b>RGV</b>	2	11	7	1	2	0
<b>SA</b>	1	8	2	5	4	0

## RGV VS SLC

RGV FC earned their fourth win at H-E-B Park, improving to 5-1-1 in 1-0 win over Real Monarchs SLC. The game-winning goal came in the 60th minute after Wan Kuzain managed to steal the ball off of the Monarchs defenders, sending it past Andrew Putna.

The first half was kept at 0-0 but the second half changed the momentum and intensity of the game. The Toros earned their third clean sheet. RGV's backline was solid all match and kept the shot attempt at three, with no shots on target.

	G	SH	SOG	SV	YC	RC
<b>RGV</b>	1	13	5	0	4	0
<b>SLC</b>	0	3	0	4	0	1

## RGV AT ELP

RGV FC suffered their first loss of the 2021 season after conceding a lone goal by El Paso Locomotive FC early in the matchup. Luis Solignac scored within 18 seconds into the first half of the game - marking his second fastest goal against the Toros in club history.

He also scored the fastest goal against RGV during his time with San Antonio marked at 10 seconds in 2020. The Toros struggled to create opportunities throughout the match, especially being down a man, and while only being able to shoot 5 times, while El Paso shot 15.

	G	SH	SOG	SV	YC	RC
<b>RGV</b>	0	5	1	2	3	1
<b>ELP</b>	1	15	2	1	4	0

## RGV VS AUSTIN

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	G	SH	SOG	SV	YC	RC
<b>RGV</b>						
<b>ATX</b>						







# 2021 TOROS ROSTER



## #1 – TYLER DERIC

**Position:** Goalkeeper  
**Height/Weight:** 6'3"/ 185LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 8/30/1988  
**Hometown:** Houston, TX

Deric re-joins RGV after his tenure with Dynamo FC. Most recently, the Houston native appeared in six matches for the Toros in 2019, on loan from the Dynamo...he returned to Houston where he made 7 appearances, including a Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup match which resulted in a 3-2 win over Championship side Austin Bold FC in the 4th Round on 6/12/2019... In 2018, Deric appeared & started in two games for Houston, making his season debut as a starter in a 4-2 loss at Los Angeles FC on 10/12/2018. In addition, he appeared in 6 matches for the Toros on loan, conceding 5 goals & recorded 2 clean sheets... was named Major League Soccer's Player

of the Month for October during the 2017 season where he started & played 90 minutes in 26 games. During the Audi 2017 MLS Cup Playoffs, Deric recorded his 2nd post-season career clean sheet & 8th on the year against the Portland Timbers in the First Leg of the Western Conference Semifinals... he began his professional career in 2009 as Houston's first Homegrown player. In 2010 he became the first Dynamo Academy player to start an MLS match when he made his competitive debut on 10/16/2010 at San Jose, recording 3 saves to post a shutout. He also became the first Homegrown goalkeeper in MLS history to record a shutout in his debut.

## #2 – CARTER MANLEY

**Position:** Defender  
**Height/Weight:** 5'11"/ 170LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 4/29/1996  
**Hometown:** Elkridge, MD

Manley played a key role in the back line for the Toros during the 2020 campaign. He started in 13 matches for RGV FC and contributed 2 assists and 6 key passes in a total of 1,147 minutes of action. The 24-year-old also totaled 39 clearances, 5 blocks and 22 interceptions and had a 54.4 percent duel success rate defensively... In 2019 Manley started in 20 games for USL League One club Forward Madison FC on loan from Major League Soccer's Minnesota United FC. With Madison, Manley completed 478 of 616 passes — a 77.6 percent accuracy rate, and also notched one goal and 15 key passes in 1,774 minutes of action. Defensively for the Flamingos, Manley totaled 29 clearances,

22 interceptions & 5 blocks while having a 53.9 percent duel success rate... During the 2018 campaign, he made 8 appearances for the USL Championship's Las Vegas Lights FC, again on loan from Minnesota United FC. The Maryland native totaled 13 clearances, 12 interceptions and a lone block and also registered a 67.9 percent passing accuracy rate... Manley brings 2 years of MLS experience to the Toros after beginning his professional career with Minnesota United FC. The defender was selected with the 23rd pick in the 2018 MLS SuperDraft and finished with 9 appearances for the Loons. The defender made 52 starts in 58 appearances over four years at Duke University, primarily at outside back.

## #3 – GRANT ROBINSON

**Position:** Defender  
**Height/Weight:** 5'9"/ 209LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 8/15/1998  
**Hometown:** Columbia, MD

Robinson started in 11 of 16 games for Las Vegas Lights FC during the 2020 season, totaling 959 minutes of action. Playing primarily in midfield, he totaled nine clearances, 17 interceptions and 4 blocks. Robinson had a 75.6% passing accuracy rate and notched two assists and 5 key passes... he appeared in one match in the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup during the 2019 campaign while he was with The Villages SC of USL League Two. With Villages SC, Robinson played in 13 games during the League Two season and scored one goal... In 2016 Robinson was called-up to the U.S. U19 Men's National Team for the Copa de

Atlántico tournament but didn't see action. Robinson was a member of the 2016 Boys IMG Academy 150 Player Pool and the 2016 College Soccer News Top 160 selection.

## #4 – ERIK PIMENTEL

**Position:** Defender  
**Height/Weight:** 5'10"/ 168LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 5/15/1990  
**Hometown:** Coacalco de Berriozabal, MX

Pimentel joins RGV FC with a wealth of experience from his time at Club América. The 30-year-old made 82 appearances for the club while recording two goals and one assist, scoring his first goal in win against C.F. Monterrey on Mar. 2, 2014. Pimentel also found the net during the group stage of Copa MX on Aug. 15, 2012 against Correcaminos de la UAT... In addition, Pimentel earned four championships with Club América — two Liga MX titles (2014/2015, 2012/2013) and two Concacaf Champions League titles (2015/2016, 2014/2015), and has made appearances in the FIFA Club World Cup and the

Liga MX's Campeón de Campeones during his professional career... More recently, Pimentel competed for Correcaminos de la UAT from Liga Expansión MX during the 2020-21 campaign. The defender made 10 appearances and recorded 866 minutes of action. Prior to Correcaminos, Pimentel spent two seasons in Guatemala with Liga Nacional Apertura, making 18 appearances with the club... Prior to moving to Guatemala, the center-back made 18 appearances in Liga MX during 2017 and 2019 with Puebla FC.

## #5 – JUAN DAVID CABEZAS

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Height/Weight:** 6'0"/ 179LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 2/27/1991  
**Hometown:** Cali, Colombia

Cabezas competed for Major League Soccer's Houston Dynamo FC from 2017 to 2019. During the 2019 campaign, he made 15 regular season appearances, scoring one goal against New York City FC during the Audi 2019 MLS Cup Playoffs. He also recorded an 81.9% passing accuracy rate... Cabezas saw some action with RGV FC during the 2019 season, starting in 3 matches and logging 207 minutes of action. He had one key pass with 88.3 percent passing accuracy rate... In 2018, he spent most of the season with an injury but had a key role in the 2018 Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup Final that saw the Dynamo defeat the Philadelphia Union 3-0 to claim the title for the 1st time in Houston's history... Cabezas' professional career began in his home country with Deportivo de Cali in 2007. In addition to making 74 appearances for the club, he also spent time

on loan with Cúcuta Deportivo (2010), La Equidad (2011-12), Once Caldas (2013-14) and Independiente Medellín (2016)... he joined the Dynamo in 2017 & started in 26 of the 27 appearances that season, notching one goal, 13 key passes and 15 shots. Cabezas had an 86.4% passing accuracy rate that put him 2nd on the Dynamo among regular starters and led the team with 1,052 passes attempted. He averaged 4.11 tackles per 90 minutes, the most in Major League Soccer with at least 1,800 minutes played. He then appeared in all 5 games of the Dynamo's run in the 2017 Audi MLS Cup Playoffs which helped lead the Dynamo to their seventh appearance in a Conference Championship game. During the postseason, Cabezas had 15 interceptions which played a key role to stop the opponents attack during Houston's Western Conference Semifinals series. His outstanding performance earned Cabezas team MVP.

## #6 – JAMES MURPHY

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Height/Weight:** 5'11"/ 159LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 9/17/1997  
**Hometown:** Scotch Plains, NJ

Murphy rejoins the Toros squad after making 11 appearances for the club during the 2020 campaign. The 23-year-old ranked third on the team with an 82.6 percent passing accuracy rate on 46.4 passes per 90 minutes, and also notched 11 key passes during the season, tied for fourth on the team. Defensively, Murphy notched seven clearances, five interceptions and four blocks defensively for the squad... Prior to the 2020 season, Murphy, who has represented the United States with the U-18 and U-20 national teams, returned to America after a season in the Scottish Championship with Arbroath FC. The midfield-

er appeared in 22 games for Arbroath across all competitions after earning a contract as a trialist. He began his professional career in the United Kingdom in 2016 when he signed with Sheffield Wednesday... The New Jersey native was signed by LAFC in 2018 and featured in a friendly against Borussia Dortmund on May 22, 2018 before spending the 2018 season with the Las Vegas Lights FC where he tallied an assist in seven appearances.





# 2021 TOROS ROSTER



## #7 – JUAN CARLOS AZOCAR

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Height/Weight:** 5'9"/ 159LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 10/1/1995  
**Hometown:** Maracay, Venezuela

The Venezuelan appeared and started in the final two matches of the Toros 2020 season, where both resulted in a win. During the 4–2 victory over OKC Energy FC on Oct. 3, 2020, Azocar scored a goal that snatched the lead for the club...Before arriving to RGV, Azocar was on loan in Armenia with FC Urartu Yerevan for the 2019–2020 campaign and finished with two goals and four assists in 15 games...The 25-year-old brings international experience to RGV after representing the U–20 Venezuelan National Team. Azocar played in two games at the 2015 U–20 Conmebol Championship in Uruguay, including a 1–0 victory

over the host nation.  
  
\*\*on loan from Dep. La Guaira

## #8 – RODRIGO LOPEZ

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Height/Weight:** 5'7"/ 148LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 5/10/1987  
**Hometown:** Guadalajara, MX

López joins RGV FC after most recently competing for fellow USL Championship club Sacramento Republic FC. The 32-year-old appeared in 14 games during the 2020 season, starting in 11 while logging 948 minutes of action. López notched a goal and dished out three assists and 26 key passes, good for second on the team. Lopez also recorded an 84.2 passing accuracy rate while leading the team with a rate of 62 passes per 90 minutes in the center of midfield...The first-ever signing in Republic FC's history prior to the club's arrival in the Championship for the 2014 season, López was key to the club's victory in the 2014 USL Championship Final where he was named Most Valuable Player. He subsequently

went on to compete for Celaya FC in México's Ascenso MX before joining historic Liga MX club Deportivo Toluca on loan in 2018. At Toluca, Lopez made 12 appearances and recorded one assist in México's top flight...López began his path to the professional ranks in the Chivas de Guadalajara youth system in 2003 before signing his first professional contract with Chivas USA of Major League Soccer in 2005. During the 2008 season, López competed for both USL League Two side Ventura County Fusion and both Cuervos Negros de Zapotlanejo and Querétaro FC in his home country, but in 2009 he returned to Ventura County and led the Fusion to the USL League Two title.

## #9 – ELVIS AMOH

**Position:** Forward  
**Height/Weight:** 6'2"/ 165LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 2/2/1982  
**Hometown:** Accra, Ghana

Amoh joins RGV FC after spending the previous two years with Loudoun United FC. During the 2020 campaign, Amoh started in 10 matches for Loudoun and tallied four goals, totaling 20 shots with six being on target. In 2019, the Ghana native totaled four goals, 24 shots and 11 on target in Loudoun's inaugural season. Amoh scored a game-winning goal against Saint Louis FC on Oct. 9, 2019 where the club gained a 4–3 lead.

Prior to Loudoun United, Amoh made three appearances for SK Lisen in the Czech National Football League second tier in early 2019. The

29-year-old started his professional career with Asante Kotoko SC of the Ghanaian Premier League in 2015 and rejoined in 2017 after a year with the West African Football Academy. In 2017, Amoh joined Capital City FC of the Canadian Soccer League.

## #11 – VICENTE SANCHEZ

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Height/Weight:** 5'7"/ 145LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 12/7/1979  
**Hometown:** Montevideo, Uruguay

Sánchez retired following the 2017 season with the Houston Dynamo FC, who played under Toros Head Coach and Sporting Director, Wilmer Cabrera. he dressed for the Dynamo in 2017 making 21 appearances, three starts where he notched two goals & recorded 5 assists in a total of 517 minutes. Sánchez recorded the Dynamo's 5th fastest goal in history at the 60-second of play in a 3–3 draw at FC Dallas on 8/23/2017...The Montevideo, Uruguayan native played for Defensor Sporting Club in his hometown for the 2016 season making 10 appearances & scored two goals... Prior to Defensor Sporting, Sánchez began his MLS career with Colorado Rapids in 2013, under Cabrera, where he played for 3 seasons, until 2015. he recorded his 1st MLS

goal on 9/14/2013 against FC Dallas & created the play that led to a Dallas own goal in the 2–1 victory. Sánchez made a total of 55 appearances, 35 starts with Colorado, scoring 11 goals & recorded 9 assists...Before his move to the MLS, he spent time with Deportivo Toluca FC. (Liga MX) from 2001–2007, FC Schalke 04 (Bundesliga) from 2008–2010, Club América (Liga MX) from 2010–2012 and Club Nacional (Uruguay) in 2013–2016, earning the Copa Libertadores...During his time with Toluca, Sánchez scored 85 goals, being part of the Apertura 2002 and Apertura 2005 championship squad. At Schalke, Sánchez scored three goals in 50 matches. Sánchez scored 11 times with América...In addition, has made 31 appearances with the Uruguayan National Team and has scored five goals — scoring in 2004 and 2007 Copa América features.

## #12 – COLIN MILLER

**Position:** Goalkeeper  
**Height/Weight:** 6'3"/ 194LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 10/25/1996  
**Hometown:** Bel Air, MD

Miller joins RGV FC from Loudoun United FC after spending two seasons with the Championship club. In 2020, Miller made seven starts while recording the only clean sheet for Loudoun United and 28 saves overall. In addition, he saved two penalty kicks and had a 65.1 save percentage.

After an excellent double-save against New York Red Bulls II on Aug. 29, 2020, Miller claimed the Championship Fans' Choice Save of the Month award. The 24-year-old had previously made three appearances and two starts for Loudoun during the 2019 campaign where he made

14 saves and posted a 77.8 save percentage.

Prior to Loudoun United, Miller spent four years (2014–18) at Providence College while recording 182 saves, with a career goals-against average of 0.97 in 53 appearances. Miller recorded 22 clean sheets and had a 78.8 save percentage for his career.

## #14 – BABOU CARR NJIE

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Height/Weight:** 6'1"/ 161LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 6/5/1995  
**Hometown:** Serrekunda, The Gambia

Njie (pronunciation: BAH-boo-CAR, JAI) previously competed in the Championship for Atlanta United 2 during the 2020 campaign. During his time with Atlanta, Njie made 11 appearances, seven starts, and recorded six clearances and 12 interceptions. The 25-year-old posted a 79.9 percent passing accuracy rate and had seven key passes during the campaign.

Prior to the start of his professional career in Atlanta, Njie competed at North Carolina Wesleyan College for three seasons (2016–19). In 2018 he played for North Carolina FC U-23 in USL League Two before returning to Wesleyan

for his Junior year. During his stint at Wesleyan, Njie made 57 appearances and tallied 34 goals and 19 assists.

In 2019, the Gambia native was named USA South Player of the Year, First Team All-Conference and was selected as a DIII First Team All-American after scoring 15 goals and recording seven assists that led Wesleyan to the East Division Title with a 12–1 conference record.





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## #15 – ADRIAN DIZ PE

**Position:** Defender  
**Height/Weight:** 6'3"/ 185LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 3/4/1994  
**Hometown:** Havana, Cuba

Diz Pe joins the Toros having most recently competed in the Championship for Colorado Springs Switchbacks FC, where he made 12 appearances in the 2020 season. The center back recorded 34 clearances, 23 interceptions and four blocks while earning a 58.6 percent duels success rate.

Prior to joining the Switchbacks, the 27-year-old had competed for the Portland Timbers 2 for two seasons in the Championship, where he made 37 appearances and helped T2 reach the USL Championship Playoffs in the 2018 season. A native of Cuba, Diz Pe made 13 appearances for the

Cuba National Team while he competed locally for Las Tunas and Ciudad de la Habana before turning professional with Santos Laguna of Liga MX in 2016.

## #16 – CAMDEN RILEY

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Height/Weight:** 6'1"/ 175LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 8/20/1996  
**Hometown:** Dallas, TX

Riley was selected in the Second Round of the 2019 MLS SuperDraft by Sporting Kansas City and was subsequently signed by its Championship club, Sporting Kansas City II. The 24-year-old made 37 appearances for the club over the past two seasons, recording 3,025 minutes of action.

In the 2020 Championship season, the defensive midfielder totaled 25 clearances, 31 interceptions and four blocks while winning 51.9% of duels and had a 69.6% tackle success rate in 13 appearances. On the offensive side, Riley completed 518 of 634 passes and notched six key passes. Addition-

ally, Riley totaled three shots, one on target and one assist.

In 2019, the Dallas native started in 21 of 24 appearances, tallying one goal in 1,974 minutes of action. On May 22, 2019, Riley scored his first professional goal off a penalty kick against Memphis 901 FC. Riley had 1,113 successful passes out of 1,304, giving him 85.4% success passing rate.

Not only was he a key player offensively, but Riley totaled 73 clearances, 34 interceptions and six blocks on the defensive end.

## #17 – JOHN HENRY SANCHEZ

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Height/Weight:** 5'7"/ 132LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 5/15/1995  
**Hometown:** Tumaco, Colombia

Sánchez was previously with Asociación Deportivo Pasto, part of Liga DIMAYOR from Colombia. The Colombian native made three appearances and tallied a lone goal in a 2-1 win over Atlético FC during the Copa Águila tournament.

Prior to Dep. Pasto, Sánchez played 29 matches for Leones FC from the Liga DIMAYOR II during the 2018 campaign. With Leones, the 25-year-old recorded four assists. In 2016-17, Sánchez competed in Honduras with Club Deportivo Olimpia both in domestic competition and in the Concacaf Champions League where he made two appearances.

Sánchez began his professional career in 2014 with Atlético Nacional in Liga DIMAYOR I. He then had a short stint with Alianza Petrolera FC during the 2016 season.

## #18 – ADRIAN VERA

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Height/Weight:** 5'9"/ 150LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 1/13/1997  
**Hometown:** Norwalk, CA

Vera joins RGV FC after spending the past six seasons with the LA Galaxy II, coming through the club's ranks as an LA Galaxy Academy product. Vera made 112 appearances for Los Dos and logged almost 7,000 minutes of action while recording seven goals and eight assists across the regular season and playoffs. This past season, the 24-year-old helped the Galaxy II reach the 2020 USL Championship Playoffs as he made 16 appearances for the club, notching three assists and 13 key passes.

Since the start of the 2017 Championship season, Vera recorded 70 Chances Created

and posted a 78.8 passing accuracy rate, while also recording 79 interceptions and 375 recoveries defensively.

Prior to joining Los Dos, the Norwalk, Calif. Native led the LA Galaxy U-18's with 17 goals and three assists where the squad finished third in the Development Academy's West Conference. Vera was a member of the U-15/16 and U-17/18 academy sides from 2011 to 2015.

## #20 – CHRISTIAN SORTO

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Height/Weight:** 5'11"/ 146LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 1/19/2000  
**Hometown:** Silver Spring, MD

Sorto previously played for Loudoun United in 2020 and 2019, alongside Amoh. The 21-year-old made four starts of nine club appearances during the 2020 campaign, totaling 391 minutes played. Sorto totaled seven shots, five on target and tallied an assist. The midfielder had 76 successful passes, out of 105, which nine were key passes.

In 2019, Sorto made nine appearances, four starts and scored two goals and recorded two assists. Both goals were scored in a 2-1 win over Atlanta United II on Jun. 28, 2019 as he earned his USL debut.

Due to his impressive performance, Sorto travelled with D.C. United in a friendly match against Bermuda national team on Nov. 16, 2019 where he came off the bench in the 65th minute and the club earned a 4-2 win. Prior to Loudoun, Sorto was a member of D.C. United's academy.

## #21 – WAN KUZAIN

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Height/Weight:** 5'10"/ 159LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 9/14/1998  
**Hometown:** Carbondale, IL

Kuzain most recently competed for Sporting Kansas City of Major League Soccer (MLS) during the 2020 campaign but did not see any action. The Malaysian native appeared in one match with on loan with the Championship's Sporting Kansas City II... During the 2019 season, the 22-year-old appeared in 25 matchups with SKC II and scored one goal and contributed two assists. Kuzain also dressed in five matches with Sporting Kansas City II, but did not see minutes...Kuzain became the first Sporting KC Homegrown signed player to progress from the Sporting KC Academy to Sporting Kansas City II to the Sporting Kansas City in 2018...During the 2018 season, Kuzain saw a total of

307 minutes in Major League Soccer, scoring one goal in six appearances, starting in three. He became the second-youngest player to score a regular season goal in Sporting SC history on June 3 in a 4-1 win against Minnesota United FC...He started in two U.S. Open Cup matches and contributed one assist. In addition, Kuzain made 20 appearances with SKC II while scoring three goals. During the Western Conference Quarterfinals of the USL Championship Playoffs, Kuzain tallied a left-footed goal in a 2-1 win over Sacramento Republic FC...Kuzain began his professional career in 2017 with the Sporting Kansas City II where he appeared in 12 matches in the regular season, including the 2017 USL Championship Final.







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## #24 – ALEXIS CERRITOS

**Position:** Forward  
**Height/Weight:** 5'11"/ 141LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 10/2/2000  
**Hometown:** Santa Clara, CA

Cerritos [Pronounced Cir-Re-tos] joins the Toros after spending the 2020 season with fellow Championship club Orange County SC. The 20-year-old made three appearances with Orange County, logging 32 minutes.

Prior to Orange County, Cerritos played for Loudoun United FC in the 2019 Championship campaign. Cerritos has also previously competed with AD Oliveirense in Portugal, part of the Campeonato De Portugal league.

The El Salvador International has represented his home country with the senior squad, making his debut against

Canada in 2017. The young talent is the son of former El Salvador International and MLS veteran, Ronald Cerritos.

## #25 – DIEGO ROCHA

**Position:** Defender  
**Height/Weight:** 6'1"/ 148LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 5/8/2001  
**Hometown:** Laredo, TX

Rocha is the first player to graduate from the RGV FC Academy and sign with the Toros to begin his professional career... Rocha will enter his second season overall with the Toros after making three appearances during the 2020 USL Championship season as a USL Academy signing. The 19-year-old made one start and notched three clearances, one block and one interception in just over 100 minutes of action. In addition, Rocha was able to connect 14 out of 20 passes... The Valley native started in all 16 games for the RGV FC Toros Academy during the 2019-20 campaign and tallied one goal in a 4-1 road win against the

Cleveland Internationals U-18/19 on Oct. 20, 2019.

## # – KYLE EDWARDS

**Position:** Forward  
**Height/Weight:** 6'1"/ 185LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 1/15/1997  
**Hometown:** Barrouallie, VC

The St. Vincent and Grenadine native made 11 appearances while earning five starts during his first professional campaign. Edwards finished the 2020 season with three consecutive goals in the final three matches of the campaign — beginning with the sixth minute tally in the 4-2 victory over OKC Energy FC on Oct. 3, 2020.

The 23-year-old brings international experience to RGV FC with 15 senior caps for the St. Vincent and Grenadines National Team. Edwards debuted in a 4-0 win over Anguilla on Sept. 5, 2014 in the Caribbean Cup Qualification tournament. The forward finished with

a game-winning assist in his last appearance with the National Team, a 1-0 victory over Trinidad and Tobago on Aug. 11, 2019.

## #26 – JOSUE SOTO

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Height/Weight:** 5'8"/ 161LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 1/3/1989  
**Hometown:** Fort Worth, TX

Soto has made one appearance for RGV FC this season in the club's home opener on May 1 against New Mexico United. He joins the Toros after spending two seasons with USL League One's Chattanooga Red Wolves SC, where he made a total of 41 appearances, tallied one goal and five assists during the 2019 and 2020 seasons. Prior to Chattanooga, Soto spent two seasons (2017-2018) with AC Oulu, part of the Ykkonen League in Finland. He made 36 appearances while scoring three times and recording one assist. During the 2016 season, Soto made 18 appearances for FF Jaro, also part of Ykkonen.

He scored two goals and made two assists. Soto started his soccer career in 2011 with Houston Dynamo FC as a Homegrown signing, at which point he was the third homegrown player in the Dynamo's history. With Houston, Soto made appearances during friendlies and reserve matches before being loaned to San Antonio Scorpions in 2012. He returned to the Scorpions during the 2014 season where he made 26 appearances and played a key role to their championship.

## #10 – AITOR LOPEZ

**Position:** Forward  
**Height/Weight:** 5'10"/ 174LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 6/4/1999  
**Hometown:** Caracas, Venezuela

López joins the Toros having most recently seen action with Atlético Venezuela, part of the Primera División in his home country. With Atlético, López made 10 appearances and totaled one goal in 351 minutes during the 2020 campaign. The forward was part of the Estudiantes de Caracas SC squad for two seasons 2018 and 2019 where he started in six of his 23 games appeared during the 2019 campaign. In 1703 minutes, López scored six goals and tallied one assist. In 2018, López scored two goals in 10 appearances with Estudiantes.

The Venezuelan began his professional career

early in 2016 with Deportivo La Guaira, where he made a total of 13 appearances and scored a lone goal in a 3-1 win over Estudiantes de Mérida at the age of 16 years during the 2016 season. López has also earned three national team caps with Venezuela's U23 squad during the 2020 CONMEBOL Pre-Olympic Tournament.

## #19 – EDUIN QUERO

**Position:** Defender  
**Height/Weight:** 5'8"/ 137LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 4/22/1997  
**Hometown:** San Cristobal, Venezuela

Quero spent a short spell in Portugal with Casa Pia AC from the Liga Portugal 2 during the 2020 season. Prior to Casa Pia, Quero spent most of his soccer career (2016-2019) with Deportivo Táchira from Primer División in his home country, Venezuela, and tallied one assist in 2017. In 2018, the left back made four appearances for Zulia FC, but returned to Táchira midway the season.

The Venezuelan native has made a total of 10 appearances for the U20 squad, including three during the 2017 FIFA U20 World Cup and six for the 2017 South American U20 Championship. Quero recorded

an assist in a 7-0 win over Vanuatu on May 23, 2017 during the U20 World Cup, where Venezuela reached the Final before falling to England.





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## #23 - LOUIS RAMSAY

**Position:** Defender  
**Height/Weight:** 5'10" / 175LBS  
**D.O.B.:** 9/23/1997  
**Hometown:** Southend, UK

Ramsay most recently played for Billericay Town FC in the National League South in England during the 2019-20 campaign. Previously in 2018-19, Ramsay appeared in eight games for Leicester City's U-23 squad in the Premier League 2. The English native collected an assist in a total of 409 minutes of play, and also made two starts in the EFL Trophy, recording 138 minutes of action...A product of Premier League club Norwich City FC's Academy, Ramsay saw his first action with Norwich City FC U-23s in the Premier League 2 in 2014, where he appeared in 10 games during the season. He continued to compete for the side throughout the next three seasons, and in the 2016-17 campaign, Ramsay started in 17 league

games and also competed in the EFL Trophy where he started in all four games of the group stage to help the team advance to the knock-out rounds...Ramsay's first professional goal came during the 2015-16 season where he scored during the FA Youth Cup in 5-4 win over Middlesbrough FC U-18 in the Fifth Round of the tournament... While at Norwich, Ramsay went on loan with Woking FC in the National League where he made 28 starts out of 30 appearances during the 2017-18 season, totaling two assists. While at Woking, Ramsay also helped the club qualify for the main draw of the F.A. Cup, where the side reached the Second Round and earned a 1-1 draw with EFL League One side Peterborough United before being eliminated in a replay.



# BY THE NUMBERS



#	PLAYER	POS	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SH	SOG	CC	FC	Y	R
2	Carter Manley	DF	7	5	515	0	1	0	0	3	6	0	0
3	Grant Robinson	DF	4	4	310	0	0	0	0	3	3	2	0
4	Erik Pimentel	DF	5	5	450	0	0	1	1	0	12	1	0
5	Juan David Cabezas	MF	2	2	180	0	0	1	0	0	5	0	0
6	James Murphy	MF	7	6	504	0	3	2	0	8	5	1	0
7	Juan Carlos Azocar	MF	3	1	64	1	0	2	1	0	1	0	0
8	Rodrigo Lopez	MF	7	7	630	0	0	9	2	12	9	1	0
9	Elvis Amoh	FW	6	6	504	4	0	12	5	3	16	3	1
10	Aitor Lopez	FW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11	Vicente Sanchez	MF	6	0	91	1	0	3	2	3	0	0	0
14	Baboucarr Njie	MF	7	1	124	0	1	5	2	2	1	0	0
15	Adrian Diz Pe	DF	6	5	493	0	1	3	0	3	6	1	0
16	Camden Riley	MF	5	2	200	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	0
17	John Henry Sanchez	MF	4	3	263	0	0	4	3	3	4	1	0
18	Adrian Vera	MF	7	3	337	0	0	1	0	3	8	1	0
19	Eduin Quero	DF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20	Christian Sorto	MF	7	7	588	1	1	14	8	6	4	0	0
21	Wan Kuzain	MF	7	5	405	2	0	12	5	5	5	1	0
23	Louis Ramsay	DF	2	2	117	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
24	Alexis Cerritos	FW	7	4	381	0	1	6	1	7	5	0	0
25	Diego Rocha	DF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
26	Josue Soto	MF	3	1	93	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
	Kyle Edwards	FW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

## OVERALL TEAM STATS

<b>GP:</b>	<b>CC:</b>
07	64
<b>GS:</b>	<b>SV:</b>
10	19
<b>GA:</b>	<b>FC:</b>
05	98
<b>SH:</b>	<b>YC:</b>
64	15
<b>SOG:</b>	<b>RC:</b>
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#	PLAYER	GP	GS	M	GA	SV	SV%	Y/R
1	TYLER DERIC	7	7	630	5	19	79.2%	0
12	COLIN MILLER	00	00	00	00	00	00	00











